

The Queen of Sheba's Camel Interview

CHARACTERS: 3 (VONTRICE, BACT, DROM (camels))

PROPS: Microphone optional

COSTUMES: None

SETTING: TV studio

SCRIPTURE: 1 Kings 4 & 10, 2 Chron. 9, Matthew 19: 23-25

RUN TIME: Approximately 7 minutes

VONTRICE: Welcome to Animal World. I'm Vontrice Veterinarian the host of this show. On every show we examine the wonders of God creation in the animal world. Today we'll be interviewing some camels who have been on fabulous trips in the Bible. Welcome Bact and Drom.

BACT: Greetings from the desert.

VONTRICE: I know this probably isn't politically correct but I have to ask. Do camels really spit?

DROM: We aren't actually spitting—it's more like throwing up!

VONTRICE: Gross!

BACT: We bring up the contents of their stomachs, along with saliva, and project it out.

DROM: It may be gross but it's about our only defense mechanism. We don't have claws or sharp teeth. We spit to surprise, distract, or bother whatever is threatening us.

BACT: When you're seven feet high and seven feet long, it's not like you can hide easily.

DROM: Besides, there aren't many places to hide in the desert.

VONTRICE: Is it true that a camel's rumbling growl was one of the noises used to create Chewbacca's voice in the *Star Wars* movies?

DROM: Yup.

VONTRICE: How did you get names like Bact and Drom?

DROM: Drom is short for dromedary.

BACT: And Bact is short for Bactrian.

VONTRICE: Does that have anything to do with the number of humps you have?

DROM: Yes. God created me with one hump. Think of the capital letter “D” laying on its side: “D” stands for “dromedary.

BACT: Now think of the capital letter “B” on its side: “B” for Bactrian!

VONTRICE: But what’s in those humps? Water?

DROM: No. That’s a common misconception. God created our humps to store fat, not water.

BACT: The fat becomes an energy source when there isn’t much to eat.

VONTRICE: And since you live in the desert, where there aren’t many plants that can grow, God gave you humps to help you survive.

DROM: Exactly right. God also created us with tough digestive systems so we can eat vegetation such as thorns or salty plants.

BACT: Many of the patriarchs in the Bible relied on us for transportation.

VONTRICE: Really? Who?

DROM: Abraham sent 10 of us with his servant to get a wife for Isaac.

BACT: We can easily carry 200 pounds.

DROM: And Rebekah, Isaac’s bride, didn’t weigh that much.

BACT: But she was strong. She hauled enough water to satisfy all 10 of us after a long trip.

DROM: We can drink 25 gallons of water in 10 minutes

VONTRICE: That’s a lot of water!

BACT: Jacob put his children and his wives on us when he went home to his father Isaac in the land of Canaan. That was a tense trip.

VONTRICE: Are there any other things God gave you to help you survive in the desert?

BACT: Sure. We have something like a clear inner eyelid to protect our eyes from sandstorms and double rows of extra-long eyelashes also help keep sand out of our eyes.

DROM: We can close their nostrils to keep sand out of our noses. Our large, broad feet do not sink in desert sand or snow.

BACT: Bactrian camels like me live in the Gobi Desert in China and the Bactrian steppes of Mongolia. We, grow a shaggy coat in the winter for protection from the freezing cold, then shed the coat during the hot summer.

VONTRICE: God was certainly clever when He made you camels.

BACT: I think so.

VONTRICE: What other Bible people owned camels?

DROM: Job owned 6000 camels.

BACT: And the Queen of Sheba. She loaded us up to bring King Solomon all kinds of gifts – 9000 pounds of gold, precious jewels, spices.

DROM: God had blessed Solomon with wisdom far greater than any other man. The queen talked with him about all that she had on her mind and she asked all kinds of questions but nothing was too hard for the king to explain to her.

BACT: She was overwhelmed. She did not believe what they said until she saw and heard for herself.

DROM: Now Solomon was David's son. Jesus was also referred to as a son of David and kings visited him with treasures.

VONTRICE: That's right. Magi from the east followed the star to Bethlehem.

DROM: They brought gifts similar to the ones the Queen of Sheba brought to Solomon – gold, frankincense and myrrh.

VONTRICE: Tell me a little bit about what the Bible says about you camels going through the eye of a needle.

BACT: You mean where Jesus said to his disciples, that it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God?

DROM: It is a hyperbole. An extreme exaggeration or overstatement.

BACT: Like saying "I'm so hungry I could eat a horse."

VONTRICE: Jesus used hyperboles?

DROM: Sure. Remember when he spoke of a plank being in one's eye while attempting to remove the splinter in a brother's eye in Matthew 7?

VONTRICE: Yes.

DROM: It is the same sort of exaggeration for effect. He didn't mean there were actual people walking around with 2 X 4's in their eyes.

VONTRICE: I see. I want to thank you camels for being on the show. Any parting words for our listeners?

BACT: Take a look around God's wonderful creation every day and notice what care, concern and creativity he shows by his creations.

DROM: And don't forget to thank and praise Him!

VONTRICE: This is Vontrice Veterinarian saying good bye and tune in again to Animal World!

PRODUCTION NOTES:

If you have internet access, the following interactive games are free to play

Biblical camels (Who wants to be a millionaire style game)

<http://www.quia.com/rr/361711.html>

Board the Wisdom Ship (battleship style game)

<http://www.quia.com/ba/188913.html>

Wisdom Scriptures 1 (Who wants to be a millionaire style game)

<http://www.quia.com/rr/353198.html>

The Queen of Sheba's Camel Interview Reader's Theater Version

CHARACTERS: 14 with doubling and tripling possible

PROPS: none specified

SETTING: various

RUN TIME: Approximately 6 minutes

Based on 1 Kings 4 & 10, 2 Chron. 9

QUEEN: Tell me about this king Solomon.

COURTIER 1: Great Queen, God has given King Solomon wisdom and very great insight,

COURTIER 2: He has a breadth of understanding as measureless as the sand on the seashore.

COURTIER 3: Solomon's wisdom was greater than the wisdom of all the men of the East, and greater than all the wisdom of Egypt.

QUEEN: Is he wiser than any other man?

COURTIER 2: Yes, including Ethan the Ezrahite

COURTIER 3: He is wiser than Heman, Calcol and Darda, the sons of Mahol.

COURTIER 1: His fame spread to all the surrounding nations.

COURTIER: I hear he has spoken three thousand proverbs

COURTIER 3: His songs number a thousand and five.

QUEEN: A wise man and a singer?

COURTIER 3: Yes, our Queen of Sheba. He has described plant life, from the cedar of Lebanon to the hyssop that grows out of walls.

COURTIER 2: He also teaches about animals and birds, reptiles and fish.

COURTIER 1: Men of all nations came to listen to Solomon's wisdom, sent by all the kings of the world, who had heard of his wisdom.

QUEEN: This I must see and hear for myself.

A: When the queen of Sheba heard about the fame of Solomon

B: And his relation to the name of the LORD

C: She came to test him with hard questions.

A: Arriving at Jerusalem with a very great caravan

B: With camels carrying spices, large quantities of gold, and precious stones

D: Camels can easily carry an extra 200 pounds

G: That would be 90 kilograms

D: While walking 20 miles

G: That would be 32 kilometers

D: A day in the harsh desert.

G: God created them with humps to store food during long trips in the desert

D: And God gave them the ability to travel quickly in the heat

C: The Queen of Sheba came to Solomon and talked with him about all that she had on her mind

A: Solomon answered all her questions; nothing was too hard for the king to explain to her.

QUEEN: (*amazed and impressed*) I am impressed with not only your wisdom, Solomon, but also your palace, the food on your table,

SOLOMON: How about the seating of my officials?

QUEEN: (*astonished*) Yes, and the attending servants in their robes, the cupbearers in their robes

SOLOMON: Don't forget about and the burnt offerings made at the temple of the LORD

QUEEN: (*overwhelmed*) I am overwhelmed. The report I heard in my own country about your achievements and your wisdom is true. But I did not believe what they said until I came and saw with my own eyes.

SOLOMON: I'm glad you came.

QUEEN: Indeed, not even half the greatness of your wisdom was told me; you have far exceeded the report I heard. How happy your men must be! How happy your officials, who continually stand before you and hear your wisdom!

SOLOMON: I give God the credit.

QUEEN: Praise be to the LORD your God, who has delighted in you and placed you on his throne as king to rule for the LORD your God. Because of the love of your God for Israel and his desire to uphold them forever, he has made you king over them, to maintain justice and righteousness.

D: Then she gave the king 120 talents of gold

H: A talent is 34 kilograms

I: Or 75 pounds

H: Let's do the math.

I: 34 times 120 is 4080 kilograms

H: Or 9000 pounds of gold

I: If gold is \$950 an ounce

H: And 16 ounces makes a pound

I: then 9000 pounds times 16 ounces is 144000 ounces

H: And 144000 ounces times \$950 is One hundred thirty six million, eight hundred thousand dollars worth of gold!

D: She also brought large quantities of spices,

E: Most likely frankincense,

F: Which Sheba was famous for

E: Cinnamon, used for sweet foods

F: Cassia, used for strong, spicy, main dishes

E: Balsam, which has white to pink to purple flowers used as a treatment for burns

D: And the leaves and stems can be cooked as a vegetable,

E: Tasting rather like asparagus

F: Myrrh, an ingredient in incense, perfumes, and in the holy oil of the Jews

D: She brought precious stones

E: Like sparkling crystals, green emeralds, rare red beryls, and expensive chrysolites.

D: There had never been such spices as those the queen of Sheba gave to King Solomon.

The Love Story of Isaac and Rebekah

Reader's Theater Version

CHARACTERS: 24 with doubling and tripling possible

PROPS: none specified

SETTING: various

RUN TIME: Approximately 15 minutes

Based on Genesis 24

A: Abraham was old and well advanced in years,

H: Let's do the math

I: Abraham was 100 years old when Isaac was born.

H: Now Isaac is 40 years old

I: Which makes Abraham 140 years old.

A: The LORD had blessed Abraham in every way.

B: He called his servant, most likely ELIEZER of Damascus

A: To send him on a mission.

ABRAHAM: Put your hand under my thigh. I want you to swear by the LORD, the God of heaven and the God of earth, that you will not get a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I am living,

C: The Canaanites did not worship God but idols

ABRAHAM: Go to my country and my own relatives and get a wife for my son Isaac.

ELIEZER: What if the woman is unwilling to come back with me to this land? Shall I then take your son back to the country you came from?

ABRAHAM: Make sure that you do not take my son back there. The LORD, the God of heaven, who brought me out of my father's household and my native land and who spoke to me and promised me on oath

VOICE OF GOD: To your offspring I will give this land

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ABRAHAM: God will send his angel before you so that you can get a wife for my son from there.

ELIEZER: What if the woman is unwilling to come back with me?

ABRAHAM: Then you will be released from this oath of mine. Only do not take my son back there.

A: So the servant put his hand under the thigh of his master Abraham

C: He swore an oath to him concerning this matter.

B: Then the servant took ten of his master's camels and left,

A: Taking with him all kinds of good things from his master.

C: He set out for Aram Naharaim and made his way to the town of Nahor.

J: Camels can go three to four days or more without water

N: God created them to be able to last for several months without food

J: Because of fat stored in their hump

O: Camels are very clever at finding food in their harsh desert environment

P: Their mouths are extremely tough, allowing camels to eat thorny desert plants.

B: He had the camels kneel down near the well outside the town

C: It was toward evening,

A: The time the women go out to draw water.

ELIEZER: *(praying)* O LORD, God of my master Abraham, give me success today, and show kindness to my master Abraham.

See, I am standing beside this spring, and the daughters of the townspeople are coming out to draw water. May it be that when I say to a girl, 'Please let down your jar that I may have a drink,' and she says,

REBEKAH: Drink, and I'll water your camels too

ELIEZER: Let her be the one you have chosen for your servant Isaac. By this I will know that you have shown kindness to my master

D: Before he had finished praying, Rebekah came out with her jar on her shoulder.

E: She was the daughter of Bethuel son of Milcah,

F: Who was the wife of Abraham's brother Nahor.

E: Bethuel was the last of the eight sons.

D: The girl, Rebekah, was very beautiful

E: A virgin

F: No man had ever lain with her.

D: She went down to the spring, filled her jar and came up again.

F: The servant hurried to meet her

ELIEZER: Please give me a little water from your jar.

REBEKAH: Drink, my lord,

G: She quickly lowered the jar to her hands and gave him a drink.

REBEKAH: I'll draw water for your camels too, until they have finished drinking.

H: That could be quite a task

I: Since camels can drink up to 32 gallons

H: That's 145 liters

I: Of water at one drinking session

G: Rebekah quickly emptied her jar into the trough, ran back to the well to draw more water, and drew enough for all his camels.

H: Let's do the math

I: Ten camels times 32 gallons equals

H: 320 gallons of water.

I: If her jar held 5 gallons or 40 pounds of water

H: That would be 320 gallons divided by 5

I: Which equals 64 trips

H: Carrying 512 pounds of water

I: Rebekah was not only beautiful and kind

H: She was sturdy and strong

G: Without saying a word, the man watched her closely to learn whether or not the LORD had made his journey successful.

J: When the camels had finished drinking, the man took out a gold nose ring weighing a beka or a fifth of an ounce

K: And two gold bracelets weighing ten shekels or a total of 4 ounces

H: Let's do the math

I: If gold sells for \$950 per ounce in 2009

H: And he gave Rebekah 4.2 ounces of gold in the jewelry

I: The jewelry was worth \$3990

H: Or almost \$4000

ELIEZER: Whose daughter are you? Please tell me, is there room in your father's house for us to spend the night?

REBEKAH: I am the daughter of Bethuel, the son that Milcah bore to Nahor. We have plenty of straw and fodder, as well as room for you to spend the night.

J: Then the man bowed down and worshiped the LORD,

ELIEZER: Praise be to the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who has not abandoned his kindness and faithfulness to my master. As for me, the LORD has led me on the journey to the house of my master's relatives.

K: The girl ran and told her mother's household about these things.

L: Now Rebekah had a brother named Laban,

M: He hurried out to the man at the spring.

K: *(aside)* He had seen the nose ring, and the bracelets on his sister's arms

H: *(aside)* And probably knew they were worth about \$4000

M: Laban had heard Rebekah tell what the man said to her

K: He went out to the man and found him standing by the camels near the spring.

LABAN: Come, you who are blessed by the LORD. Why are you standing out here? I have prepared the house and a place for the camels.

M: So Eliezer went to the house, and the camels were unloaded.

L: Straw and fodder were brought for the camels,

K And water for him and his men to wash their feet.

M: Then food was set before him

ELIEZER: I will not eat until I have told you what I have to say.

LABAN: Then tell us.

ELIEZER: I am Abraham's servant. The LORD has blessed my master abundantly, and he has become wealthy. He has given him sheep and cattle, silver and gold, menservants and maidservants, and camels and donkeys.

LABAN: I see

ELIEZER: My master's wife Sarah has borne him a son in her old age, and he has given him everything he owns. And my master made me swear an oath

ABRAHAM: You must not get a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live, but go to my father's family and to my own clan, and get a wife for my son.

ELIEZER: I asked my master, 'What if the woman will not come back with me?'

ABRAHAM: The LORD, before whom I have walked, will send his angel with you and make your journey a success, so that you can get a wife for my son from my own clan and from my father's family.

LABAN: We are family.

ELIEZER: I will be released from my oath if you refuse to give Rebekah to me

LABAN: I see

ELIEZER: When I came to the spring today, I said, 'O LORD, God of my master Abraham, if you will, please grant success to the journey on which I have come. See, I am standing beside this spring; if a maiden comes out to draw water and I say to her, "Please let me drink a little water from your jar," and if she says to me

REBEKAH: Drink, and I'll draw water for your camels too

ELIEZER: Let her be the one the LORD has chosen for my master's son. Before I finished praying in my heart, Rebekah came out, with her jar on her shoulder. She went down to the spring and drew water, and I said to her, 'Please give me a drink.'

LABAN: What did she do?

ELIEZER: She quickly lowered her jar from her shoulder and said

REBEKAH: Drink, and I'll water your camels too.

ELIEZER: So I drank, and she watered the camels also. I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?'

REBEKAH: 'The daughter of Bethuel son of Nahor, whom Milcah bore to him.

ELIEZER: Then I put the ring in her nose and the bracelets on her arms, and I bowed down and worshiped the LORD. I praised the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me on the right road to get the granddaughter of my master's brother for his son.

LABAN: Rebekah, my sister

ELIEZER: Now if you will show kindness and faithfulness to my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so I may know which way to turn.

LABAN: This is from the LORD

BETHUEL: We can say nothing to you one way or the other.

LABAN: Here is Rebekah. Take her and go

BETHUEL: Let my daughter Rebekah become the wife of your master's son, Isaac, as the LORD has directed.

N: When Abraham's servant heard what they said, he bowed down to the ground before the LORD.

O: Then the servant brought out gold and silver jewelry and articles of clothing and gave them to Rebekah

P: He also gave costly gifts to her brother and to her mother.

N: Then he and the men who were with him ate and drank and spent the night there.

P: When they got up the next morning, he said

ELIEZER: Send me on my way to my master.

REBEKAH'S MOTHER: Let the girl remain with us ten days or so.

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LABAN: Then you may go.

ELIEZER: Do not detain me, now that the LORD has granted success to my journey. Send me on my way so I may go to my master.

REBEKAH'S MOTHER: Let's call the girl and ask her about it.

LABAN: (*calling*) Rebekah

REBEKAH'S MOTHER: Will you go with this man?

REBEKAH: I will go.

O: So they sent their sister Rebekah on her way,

P: Along with her nurse, Deborah, and Abraham's servant and his men.

N: They blessed Rebekah

LABAN: Our sister, may you increase to thousands upon thousands

REBEKAH'S MOTHER: May your offspring possess the gates of their enemies.

Q: Rebekah and her maids got ready and mounted their camels to go back with Eliezer.

I: From Hebron, where Abraham lived, to Haran, was a journey of seventeen days

H: Let's do the math.

I: A camel can go approximately 20 miles a day

H: 20 miles times 17 days equals

I: 340 miles

Q Now Isaac had come from Beer Lahai Roi, for he was living in the Negev.

R: He went out to the field one evening to meditate

Q: As he looked up, he saw camels approaching.

R: Rebekah also looked up and saw Isaac.

Q: She got down from her camel

REBEKAH: Who is that man in the field coming to meet us?

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ELIEZER: He is my master

R: She took her veil and covered herself.

ELIEZER: Isaac, this woman is a granddaughter of your Uncle Nahor

ISAAC: Did she consent to be my wife?

ELIEZER: She did.

ISAAC: Come with me.

E: Isaac brought her into the tent of his mother Sarah

F & G: (*in unison*) He married Rebekah.

J: She became his wife

B & C: (*in unison*) Isaac loved her (*all characters* "awwwww")

D: And was comforted after his mother's death.

PRODUCTION NOTES:

If you have internet access, the following interactive review games are available

Biblical camels (Who wants to be a millionaire style game)

<http://www.quia.com/rr/361711.html>

(Genesis 22) God tests Abraham (matching game)

<http://www.quia.com/jg/1487144.html>

Jacob & Exodus Camel Interview

By Kathy Applebee

CHARACTERS: 4 (VONTRICE & 3camels)

PROPS: Microphone optional

COSTUMES: None specified

SETTING: TV studio

SCRIPTURE: Gen. 31-33, Exodus 9

RUN TIME: Approximately 8 minutes

VONTRICE: Welcome to Animal World. I'm Vontrice Veterinarian the host of this show. On every show we examine the wonders of God creation in the animal world. Today we'll be interviewing some camels who have been in some dangerous situations. Let's welcome Camelot and Dramah, a camel couple. How did you meet?

DRAMAH: We both were bought by a man named Jacob – Isaac's son and Abraham's grandson.

CAMELOT: I took one look at Dramah, with her cute long eyelashes and it was love at first sight.

DRAMAH: God made us camels with long eyelashes to help keep the sand out of our eyes.

VONTRICE: What a cute story. How did you get your names?

DRAMAH: Dramah is short for dromedary. A dromedary camel has one hump – like me.

CAMELOT: And I'm called Camelot because I travel a lot. God created camels to be the "ships of the desert".

VONTRICE: There aren't ships in the desert. A desert is full of sand, not water.

CAMELOT: Exactly. Deserts are hard to travel in because there isn't much water. God created camels with the ability to go without water for several days.

DRAMAH: But when we do drink, we can suck down 25 gallons of water in just 10 minutes. Plus God created us with a digestive system that can eat desert plants.

CAMELOT: Horses can't do that so if you're crossing a desert, camels are the way to go.

VONTRICE: Tell me about the hazardous situation you found yourself in with Jacob and his family.

DRAMAH: Jacob was pretty good at getting himself in trouble.

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CAMELOT: He had to leave home quickly after getting his brother Esau mad.

DRAMAHA: Esau was mad enough to murder his twin brother. So Jacob took off with nothing but a staff in his hand and the clothes on his back.

CAMELOT: He headed to his Uncle Laban's but... there was trouble.

VONTRICE: What kind of trouble?

DRAMAHA: Laban kept cheating him, Tricked him at his own wedding even. Jacob thought he was marrying Rachel but he actually married Leah, Rachel's older sister.

CAMELOT: Jacob was furious. See, he'd worked 7 long years for Rachel.

DRAMAHA: He had to work another seven years to marry Rachel as well.

CAMELOT: And it didn't help that the sisters didn't get along all that well. But that's another story.

DRAMAHA: Jacob was then going to work for sheep, goats and other livestock but Laban tried to cheat him again.

CAMELOT: But God was watching out for Jacob. One night he told Jacob to head back home.

VONTRICE: Let's see 7 plus 7 plus 6.... That was 20 years later.

DRAMAHA: Yup. Jacob put his children and his wives on camels. I was carrying Rachel and little baby Joseph in the back, going nice and slow and easy.

CAMELOT: I was up in the front when DramaHA sent word up that there was trouble. Sure enough, a huge dust cloud was following us.

DRAMAHA: It was Laban and all his relatives. And Laban was mad that Jacob had sneaked away without letting him kiss his daughters or grandchildren goodbye. I thought there would be big trouble.

CAMELOT: I went back to try to help DramaHA protect the children in case the two sides got into a fight. I heard Laban saying (*changes voice to gruff whenever he does someone else's voice*) You have done a foolish thing. I have the power to harm you; but last night the God of your father said to me, 'Be careful not to say anything to Jacob, either good or bad.

DRAMAHA: I breathed a sigh of relief when I heard God had spoken to Laban. But the trouble wasn't over. There was further bad blood about stolen idols. (*Her voice squeaks as she remembers back*) They were in my saddlebags!

VONTRICE: You stole some idols?

DRAMAH: Not me. It was Rachel. When Laban was looking for them he tricked her into not looking in the saddlebags because she was sitting on them.

CAMELOT: But it was a very close call. I don't know why she wanted them. I mean, all of us animals know they have no power.

VONTRICE: That's right. Only the Lord God has power. Now you had another close call right after that.

DRAMAH: Jacob got word that his brother Esau was on his way with 400 men.

VONTRICE: Was this after Laban had left?

DRAMAH: Yes. It was just Jacob, his family and servants facing Esau's army.

CAMELOT: Jacob divided us up into several groups. He sent 200 female goats and 20 male goats, 200 ewes and 20 rams, 30 female camels with their young,

DRAMAH: I was so afraid I might get chosen and Camelot and I would be split up.

CAMELOT: But Jacob kept my wife Dramah since she was one of the best and took such good care of Rachel and Joseph.

DRAMAH: He also sent 40 cows and 10 bulls, and 20 female donkeys and 10 male donkeys as a peace offering.

CAMELOT: But God had promised Jacob he would take care of him and he did. Esau was willing to let bygones be bygones. Esau ran to meet Jacob and embraced him; he threw his arms around his neck and kissed him.

DRAMAH: They both were crying. It was a happy reunion.

VONTRICE: What advice would you give our audience, Dramah?

DRAMAH: Try to get along with your brothers and sisters. It will make your life easier.

VONTRICE: What about you, Camelot?

CAMELOT: Don't trust in idols – trust in God who keeps his people safe.

VONTRICE: Thanks for stopping by. We'll take a commercial break and be back for the second half of our show.

VONTRICE: We're back. Our guest for this half of the show is Nefertari Kamilia. Welcome. What does your name mean?

NK: Nefertari is Egyptian and means beautiful one and Kamilia is for camel.

VONTRICE: Are you Egyptian?

NK: I lived in Egypt but I belonged to an Israelite. You know Miriam?

VONTRICE: Moses' older sister?

NK: That's the one.

VONTRICE: So you were there during the 10 plagues.

NK: Yes, a very hazardous time. Especially during the later plagues. I could have died on several different occasions if I had belonged to an Egyptian.

VONTRICE: Why is that?

NK: During the plague on the livestock the Lord made a distinction between the horses, donkeys, camels, cattle, sheep and goats that belonged to the Egyptians and the horses, donkeys, camels, cattle, sheep and goats that belonged to the Israelites.

VONTRICE: What happened?

NK: All the livestock of the Egyptians died, but not one animal belonging to the Israelites died. They listened to Moses and brought us inside. Pharaoh sent men to investigate and found that not even one of the animals of the Israelites had died. Yet his heart was unyielding and he would not let the people go.

VONTRICE: Then what happened?

NK: Moses and Aaron tossed soot from a furnace before Pharaoh and festering boils broke out on Egyptian men and animals. They were gross – let me tell you.

VONTRICE: So Pharaoh let the people go?

NK: Nope. Next the worst hailstorm that had ever fallen on Egypt happened. Moses warned the Egyptians to bring in their livestock and everything in the field to a place of shelter, because the hail would fall on every man and animal that had not been brought in.

VONTRICE: Did the Egyptians bring in their horses, donkeys, camels, cows, sheep and goats?

NK: Some did. The officials of Pharaoh who feared the word of the LORD hurried to bring their slaves and their livestock inside. But those who ignored the word of the LORD left their slaves and livestock in the field. Then Moses stretched out his staff toward the sky, the LORD sent thunder and hail, and lightning flashed down to the ground.

VONTRICE: Sounds bad.

NK: It was. It was the worst storm in all the land of Egypt since it had become a nation. The only place it did not hail was the land of Goshen, where the Israelites were.

VONTRICE: When did you get to leave?

NK: After the 10th plague.

VONTRICE: What advice do you have for our listeners about hazardous conditions?

NK: If you go with God, it will all work out.

VONTRICE: Thanks for being with us. This is Vontrice Veterinarian saying good bye and tune in again to Animal World!

PRODUCTION NOTES:

If you have internet access, the following interactive games are free to play

Biblical camels (Who-wants-to-be-a-millionaire style game)

<http://www.quia.com/rr/361711.html>

Sons of Jacob (matching)

<http://www.quia.com/jg/1432632.html>