

Example



KEY INSTITUTIONS

INSTITUTION Egypt
 REFERENCE Exodus 1-15

Egypt - Pagan Dictatorship

Doctrinal Base	Character of the People	Government
<p>Foundations Concepts Truths taught as foundational^{Truths} Controlling ideas No God - Ex 5:2 - Socialism Pharaoh was absolute - to be obeyed People worshiped many things 10 plagues - 10 gods Worshipped the State - obeyed (murders, etc.) 10 gods worshiped out of fear Producing weakness, dependence Chaos Pagan view of man State of ultimate value Individual is servant of State "Pharaoh is God"</p>	<p>Physical - energy, activity Moral Disposition Mental Disposition <u>Ruler of Egypt - Absolute ruler</u> Fearful of losing position Ex 1:9-10 Took the place of God Ex 1:16 <u>Sons of Israel - slave character</u> Had a legend/tradition of God of Abraham Had no law, so no internal government Were dependent Provision Num 11:5 Protection Num 14:3 Did not know God Individual of no intrinsic value Value derived from contribution to society Value dependent on External Egyptians - high value Israelites - low value No law - Pragmatism Moses born 279 years after Joseph "Pharaoh knew not Joseph"</p>	<p>Manner of controlling men internal/external Form of civil government Constitution/laws How men are directed/controlled Conduct Total external control, control by force - occupation Ex 1:11 - right to life Ex 1:16 - guidance Ex 10:2 Civil Government - dictatorship tyranny No constitution - law was King's whim "Thus said ie. Pharaoh" Egyptians Vigorous, industrious cities, Pyramids etc. Mentality - Egyptians superior Israelites inferior</p>