

POWER PRINCIPLES THAT MAKE FAMILIES THRIVE

THE POWER OF A LOVING MOTHER

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Colossians 3:12--*Because of God's deep love and concern for you, you should practice tenderhearted mercy and kindness to others.*

Galatians 5:22--*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness...*

Exodus 1:15-22--*The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, whose names were Shiphrah and Puah, "When you help the Hebrew women in childbirth and observe them on the delivery stool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, let her live." The midwives, however, feared God and did not do what the king of Egypt had told them to do; they let the boys live. Then the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and asked them, "Why have you done this? Why have you let the boys live?" The midwives answered Pharaoh, "Hebrew women are not like Egyptian women; they are vigorous and give birth before the midwives arrive." So God was kind to the midwives and the people increased and became even more numerous. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families of their own. Then Pharaoh gave this order to all his people: "Every boy that is born you must throw into the Nile, but let every girl live."*

LOVING MOTHERS ARE K.I.N.D.

I. MOMS **K** _____ PROTECTS US.

See Exodus 2:2; Hebrews 11:23; Acts 7:20.

Exodus 2:3-9a--*But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him. Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the river bank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her slave girl to get it. She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said. Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?" "Yes, go," she answered. And the girl went and got the baby's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you."*

2. MOMS **I** _____ GUIDES US.

- It is possible to overestimate the impact of _____.
- It is possible to underestimate the importance of _____.
- It is impossible to overestimate the value of a _____.

3. MOMS **N** _____ SHAPES US.

Exodus 2:9,10--*Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So the woman took the baby and nursed him. When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out of the water."*

Hebrews 11:23b--...*(Jochebed and Amram) were not afraid of the king's edict.*

Hebrews 11:27a--*By faith (Moses) left Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king...*

4. MOMS **D** _____ INSPIRES US.

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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What do you appreciate most about your mother?
2. Review the points and verses from this lesson. What personal application can you make from this teaching?
3. What inspires you the most about your study of Moses' mother?
4. Take some time right now to pray for the needs of those in your small group.