

- Jochebed was born into the tribe of Levi (Numbers 26.59)
- She married a man named Amram, also a Levite (Numbers 26.58)
- Her name means "Jehovah is glory"
- Three children were born to this union: Aaron, Moses, and Miriam



- In Miriam, Jochebed nurtured a child who glorified God:
  - Miriam helped to thwart the ungodly decree of Pharaoh (Exodus 2.4,7)
  - Miriam did the work of a prophetess (Exodus 15.20)
  - Following the Red Sea crossing, Miriam openly praised God (Exodus 15.20f)
- It doesn't take a male child to be successful in the service of God.
- What a testament to have a child who glorifies God!



- In Aaron, Jochebed raised a child who was willing to serve:
  - Aaron willingly took the role of mouthpiece (Exodus 3.14-17)
  - Cod had confidence in Aaron to do His will (Exodus 4.15-16)
  - Aaron literally held the hands of Moses (Exodus 17.12)
  - Eventually, Aaron would hold the role of High Priest (Exodus 30.10)
- A child doesn't have to be preeminent for a mother to be a success.



- In Moses, Jochebed brought up a child who:
  - Shed blood and developed a negative reputation (Exodus 2.13f)
  - ▶ Was in the wilderness for 40 years (Exodus 2.15; Acts 7.30)
  - \* Was still able to be touched by the voice of God (Exodus 3.6-10)
  - Led Israel out of Egypt and prepared them for the Promised Land
- Don't discount the importance and impact of early instruction!



MOTHER OF MOSES

- As a mother, my role is to instill a love for God in my children
  - 2 Timothy 3.14-15
- Pay more attention to God and less attention outside voices
  - Hebrews 11.23
- If Miriam, Aaron, and Moses could make bad decisions, so can my children — but I need to keep faith in the power of the voice of God.
  - Hebrews 4.12-16

## THREE PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS