

# WONDERS

Title: **THE WONDER CALLED MOTHERS**

Date: **May 12, 2024**

## Leader's Tips:

- S** - Sensitivity with others. No one should feel left out.
- P** - Participation is encouraged during discussion.
- A** - Acknowledge guests. Make them feel welcome.
- C** - Confidentiality is key. What is shared stays in the group.
- E** - Encourage the group to pray for one another.

## WORSHIP: (15 mins)

*Venue Option 1: Home gatherings*

*Sing one or two songs or play a song from You Tube.*

*Venue Option 2: Public place (school, café, park, etc.) or Via Online, ask, "What is your "high" or "your "low" this past week?"*

## WELCOME:(15 mins): Remember I.W.C.

**I** - Introduce yourself.

**W** - Welcome guests/first-time visitors.

**C** - Cheer up (say a word of encouragement) someone within the group.

## Memory Verses: Psalm 139:13-14 (NIV)

**Ice-breaker Humor: Q:** What did David's mother tell him about using his slingshot? **Ans.** *David! How many times have I told you not to play around the house with that slingshot? Go practice your harp! Your dad pays a lot for those lessons!*

## WORD (30–45 mins): Text: Exodus 2:1-10 (NIV)

**Q: Would you share one or two life lessons you learned from your mother?**

*Today, we will talk about a mother whose name was not even mentioned in the text. This is the story of Jochebed, the mother of Moses. A woman of wisdom, faith, courage, strength and fearless determination who defied all odds in order to protect his own son from death. What are the things we can learn from this amazing mother who influenced the life of Moses, God's servant who led the people of Israel out of slavery in Egypt to the Promised Land?*

### 1. Incredible faith that saved her son from death– vv.1-3

It was the most challenging time in the history of the Israelites when Moses was born, the command to kill all Hebrew male infants. Jochebed defied the king's orders and hid her son for three months. How did she manage to keep her baby? Jochebed's incredible and indescribable faith led her to trust God. Her faith in God made her stronger. In the same way, our faith is to be passed on to the next generation as we set a godly example of a life of trusting in God. Let us demonstrate a life that is fully surrendered to Jesus Christ so that they too will one day trust in Him as their personal Lord and Savior.

### 2. Impartation of Godly values that shaped her son's character. vv.4-10

The first five years in a child's life is foundational to a child.

That's when they learn the fastest. Jochebed raised Moses fearing God and giving him lessons about faith and trust in God. She must have shared stories when God saved their entire nation from their enemies and how God will provide deliverance for her own people who are greatly suffering as slaves in Egypt.

As parents, our children will one day grow and leave our homes. What is crucial are those formative years where our children can learn the fear of the Lord and faith to rely on Him when things become difficult.

### 3. Influence that affected her son's future. V.2

**Q: How has your mom influenced your life? Can you think of anyone else who has impacted your life other than your mom?**

Moses' parents saw not only the beautiful child, but one that had God's purpose in his life. They probably had the vision that God will preserve the baby's life for a greater purpose, the promised deliverance of the entire Hebrew race.

### Conclusion:

**Q:** As parents, are we providing good example of faith that our children can follow? Are we allowing God to work in our lives in influencing others by living a godly life?

**Q:** For those of us who are not parents yet, are we willing to be used by God to influence others to live for God and His purposes for their lives?

The challenge for us today is to spiritually parent those who are new in the faith so that they too can fulfill God's plan for their lives. Will you take up this challenge?

**What is your take-away from today's discussion?** Partner with someone in prayer.

## WORK: The Challenge (15 mins.)

**P- Pray** for one another. Ask "**what can I pray for you?**" (7mins.)

**R- Remind** to invite a friend on the next gathering.

**A- Apply** the message during the week.

**Y- Yearn** to share your faith with someone during the week.