



Small Group Discussion Guide

May 14, 2017

Sermon Title:

"A True Mother's Love"

Sermon Text: Exodus 2:1-10

Scripture Reading: Psalm 131

Leader: *Please allow a moment for introductions/visiting, and then have someone offer a brief prayer for God to meet with your group.*

Getting Started: Aside from your own, what Mother has impacted your life the most?

Discussion:

1. Before reading this text, would any of you have recognized the name "Jocobed"? (This exemplifies how we can often best be known through our children.... i.e... "Oh! That is Johnny's Mom or Dad")
2. What does the name "Jocobed" mean? Do you see any connection here in the character and nature of Jocobed?
3. Who was her son? What part of the Bible did he write? To what did the Jesus (and all Jews) refer to it as? (**Reference: Matthew 6: 17-20**) Hint: there are 3 letters in the word.
4. What other monumental act is Moses known for? (**Reference: Exodus 12:31-33**)
5. What part did Jocobed play in preparing Moses for his leadership role? How might God have spoken to her about keeping him safe and instilling integrity within him?
 - * Through natural instincts (**Ref: 1:22**) A mother wants to protect her child.
 - * Through common sense (**Ref.2:2**) She knew she could only hide Moses a short time
 - * Through practical skills and experience. (**Ref. 2:3**) She had skills to prepare a basket!
 - * Through existing revelation. (Jocobed knew and taught God's prophecies to Moses.
 - * Through logic. (Perhaps Jocobed began to look at her son and put 2 + 2 together. Perhaps he was to be the "Deliverer" whom God would send after 400 years of Egyptian slavery.
6. Moms.... Have you ever had any intuitive feelings about how your son or daughter would turn out? What they appeared to be from a very young age? Are any of them living that out? (The Pastor's Mother knew he was going to be a preacher! She had an agreement with God!.... **Reference: 1 Samuel 1:11**)
7. IF your Mother is living, how might you make an intentional effort to honor her and let her know how much she means to you? If she is deceased, how might you best honor her memory?
8. What would be the one key thing you would say whereby your Mother has impacted you?

Closing: Close by praying for each other. Go **SHARE JESUS . . . in Service!**