

# WHEN BEING A MOM SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE

Exodus 2:1-10

## CONTEXT.

1. 1450 BC. Nation of Israel is living among Egypt - 350 years. Joseph long dead.
2. Israel outnumbers the Egyptians. Pharaoh afraid of them.
  1. Puts them to slave labor. 1:13
  2. Tells midwives to kill male boys. 1:16
  3. All males cast into the Nile. 1:22

## 4 KEY POINTS FOR MOMS.

1. Be confident in who you are as Mom and the role God has given you as mother.
2. Because you are “Mom” certain actions and responses are prescribed, Biblically.
3. Being a mom often requires hard choices in tough times.
4. God’s love for you will motivate you through your fears, uncertainties.

# 1. BE CONFIDENT IN GOD'S CREATION OF "MOM" AND WHAT THAT MEANS.

A. 6 women who valued "life":

- Eve - Gen 3:20.

B. The child was a threat to Pharaoh's "world."

- Who defines 'life' in your family? Who defines "family" in your family? God or "Pharaoh"?

C. God is pro-life and pro-moms. (Video 1)

## 2. BECAUSE YOU ARE “MOM” CERTAIN ACTIONS ARE PRESCRIBED.

- A. By your children and husband to you:
  - 1. honored. Ex 20:12.
  - 2. loved (as Christ loved the church and died for her). Ep 5:25
- B. By you to your child:
  - 1. you are the parent not a friend. Prov 22:6
  - 2. consequence education.
- C. The objective? Survive the “Nile.”

### 3. BEING A GODLY MOM REQUIRES HARD CHOICES IN TOUGH TIMES.

- A. Mom's protection/care never ends; it just changes. (9 months?)
- B. Children are a gift.
  - Psalm 127:3-5
- C. Sweat equity. Enables talk about the tough things.
  - video 2 – Baltimore mom.

## 4. GOD'S LOVE FOR YOU WILL MOTIVATE YOU THROUGH YOUR FEARS.

Jochebed's fears:

1. Adversaries.
  - How to protect infant?
  - Risks. Endanger family?
2. Death was inevitable so why try?
3. A wicker basket on the Nile. Really?
  - Nile River center of daily activity.

- WHAT TO DO IN A “JOCHABED”  
MOMENT?

1. Identify the “pharaohs” in your child’s life.
  - Talk about them.
2. Believe:
  - A. God loves you and has equipped you;
  - B. God has a plan. Jer 29:11
3. Take one step.
4. Trust God to place your feet. Prov 3:5-6