"REAL LIFE. REAL FAITH"

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Introduction

Mother's Day this year will go down in history as one that was very different, especially since you may be "visiting" family over Zoom or celebrating in the confines of your home!

We realize that we are not always in control of history and that, in fact, life is fragile and often beyond our control. But in the midst of all this, we have a God who breaks into our world, and reveals His grace and providence, particularly in response to faith and courage.

Amran and Jochbed, Moses parents, faced tremendous crisis in their day. Jochbed gave birth to Moses during these turbulent times.

Three outstanding qualities in the life of Jochbed:

1. Jochbed had a that the Lord.

Amran and Jochbed were Levites, and committed to the things of God.

Hebrews 11:23

"no ordinary child"

Acts 7:20

Amran & Jochbed had a vision for their child

The storyline		
3. Jochbed had	 . that	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••

2. Jochbed had a that

How can we apply these truths today?

In today's world, parents need to be alert to the dangers that seek to our children.
2. In today's world, parents and families must guard their own
1 John 2:15-17
3. In today's world, we must be proactive in our stand to be completely to protect our children from
We too must try and develop hearts that
The Lord has never asked us to face these challenges alone.
2 Chronicles 16:9

We too must have a

Godly faith releases godly power in our lives.

Philippians 4:6-7

We too must have enduring

We must not be afraid of the devil's schemes.

Our fear should be godly

We must develop a strategy

Group discussion & reflection

- 1. Which one of Jochbed's qualities do you relate to the most? Which one do you need to work on the most?
- 2. Have you experienced God's providence (timely provision) in your life? Share your story.
- 3. As you look at your children, do you sense God's purpose for their lives?
- 4. How do you balance trusting God with being proactive when it comes to the challenges you face as a family?
- 5. Do you think we face greater or lesser challenges than Moses parents? How does perspective help you to face tomorrow?
- 6. What are the greatest dangers our families face today? In what ways are you proactive in dealing with these challenges?
- 7. In what ways can you 'guard your heart' when it comes to worldly influences?