

## Women of the Bible:

### *Miriam (Moses' Sister)*

*First: Start with the facts from each passage:*

*Second: What would her life have been like at this time*

*Third: What traits do we discover about her*

*Fourth: How did God work through this person, even after their mistake(s)*

*Fifth: What inspiration or lessons can be learned?*

Exodus 2:1-4

Exodus 2:5-9

Exodus 6:20

Exodus 15:20, 21

Numbers 12:1-3

Numbers 12:4-9

Numbers 12:10-15

Numbers 20:1

Numbers 26:59

Deuteronomy 24:8, 9

I Chronicles 6:3

Micah 6:4

Lessons for Our Lives:

## **DID YOU NOTICE:**

Exodus 2:1-4 Miriam was 7 years older than Moses and 4 years older than Aaron. Enough that she was able to watch from a distance over her brother.

Exodus 2:5-9 Miriam was confident and bold enough to speak with Pharaoh's daughter and then went and brought back her mother.

Exodus 6:20 Miriam not mentioned in genealogy.

Exodus 15:20, 21 Miriam was a leader in her own right and regarded as a prophetess (one who would proclaim God's message). Egypt had tried to kill the Hebrew boys through drowning in the Nile, it would be the Egyptian men, that would be destroyed by God, through drowning in the Red Sea.

Numbers 12:1-3 God had worked in sharing His message through Miriam as well. Now the older sister becomes jealous of Moses' position.

Numbers 12:4-9 How God had spoken to Miriam was different from how He spoke with Moses.

Numbers 12:10-15 Miriam was the only one punished, this was temporary. Others that will challenge Moses' authority (see Numbers 16) will perish.

Numbers 20:1 Miriam is the first of the siblings to die. Following her death, God provides water for the people in a barren land. Her brother, Aaron would die about 5 months later and Moses would be taken by God in about a year.

Numbers 26:59 Miriam is the oldest of the 3 children but was mentioned last

I Chronicles 6:3 Miriam is again mentioned last, but in this genealogy, her mother isn't even mentioned.

Deuteronomy 24:8, 9 Miriam's treatment when she had leprosy serves as an example of how others with leprosy are to be treated.

Micah 6:4 Miriam, was not only a prophetess, but also a leader of the people.

Miriam is the Hebrew version of : Mary (Greek)

Mary's Song: Luke 1:46-55

Mary in diseased condition (Luke 8:2)

Mary challenging male authorities (Matt. 28:10; Luke 24:10; John 20:11-18)