



## LIFE GROUP NOTES

Week Beginning: 12th March 2024



### Exodus 2:1-10 Three mothers and a baby

#### Warm Up

Those who care for us hold a special place in our hearts. Can you recall a time or event when you suddenly knew or realised that a significant adult, parent or carer really did love you?

#### Background and context

Mothering Sunday was originally about returning to the mother church in the district you lived. They were the heart of the community that kept the other churches supported and thriving. It was a time to say thankyou. The secularisation of our society has evolved this day in to one to celebrate mothers, as ones who are the heart of the family, encouraging, supporting and loving their children.

In our current climate, the church is an important safety net to struggling families, mothers too provide the security children need to thrive.

#### Thinking it through: Main discussion/activity



**READ Exodus 2:1-10.** What are the surprising things in the passage? What is new? What don't you really understand? This could be a time to discuss and share reflections and ideas on the passage or watch a Bible project type video that helps explain things.

1. Which three characters in the story behave like a mother to Moses?
2. How did they act in a motherly way?
3. Which person in this story do you most identify with?  
The baby Moses? Moses' mother? Sister? Pharaoh's daughter? Why ?
4. How is the church (VBC and wider) behaving like a mother to the community?
5. What else should the church (VBC and wider) be doing to show the love of Christ?
6. A mother's love should never stop, but how will her actions change as her child grows?
7. Can the church learn anything from the image of a mother's love ?

#### Growing in discipleship-Practical application



8. Read 2 Corinthians 1:3-7, 2Corinthians 2:4 Luke 2:35, Psalm 126:5. How might these verses help us understand the role we have to play in supporting our brothers and sisters in Christ and our wider community?
9. How can you practically serve as a parent to others as part of your ministry at VBC?
10. How can you honour someone who has served as a parent to you in your faith?

#### Try to leave 15-20 mins to talk about prayer needs of the group and to pray.



We want to encourage the development of prayer, to help everyone grow in confidence in praying. There are many creative ways of praying together: writing prayers, using candles as a focus, reading prayers or praying for each other in pairs.