

The Mom behind the Man

FAMILY MATTERS Exodus 1:22 - 2:10 Pastor Art Beasley

just like his mother.



Moses learned to just like his moth		like his mother.
		evi who was born to Levi in Egypt and
	Moses and their sister Miriam." -N	
Moses followed	rather than	, just like his mother.
"Pharaoh commanded all h	is people, saying, 'Every son who is	s born you are to cast unto the Nile
	ore a son; and when she saw that h	ne was beautiful, she hid him for three
months." -Exodus 1:22-2:2		
		ar of man, just like his mother!
		nths by his parents, because they saw
he was a beautiful child; an	d they were not afraid of the king'.	's edict." -Hebrews 11:23
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"Then Moses' sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and call a nurse for you from the Hebrew women. . . Miriam went and called the child's mother. . . So the woman took the child and nursed him. The child grew, and she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter. . . " -Exodus 2:6-10

There are seventy-nine (79) references to Moses and events during his lifetime in the New Testament. That is more than any other Old Testament figure. Here are a few:

His birth (Acts 7:20; Hebrews 11:23)

The burning bush (Luke 20:37)

Magicians of Egypt (2 Timothy 3:8)

The Passover (The Gospels; Hebrews 11:28)

The Exodus (Hebrews 3:16)

Crossing of the Red Sea (1 Corinthians 10:2)

Covenant Sacrifice at Sinai (Matthew 26:28)

Manna (1 Corinthians 10:3)

Glory on Moses' face (2 Corinthians 3:7-18)

Water from the rock (1 Corinthians 10:4)

The Song of Moses (Revelation 15:3)

Susannah Wesley (January 20, 1669 - July 23, 1742) was a pastor's wife and had 19 children. Ten of her children lived into adulthood. She was the twenty-fifth child of twenty-five children born to her parents. Many consider her to be an ideal mother. In spite of the difficulties, tragedy and even financial duress created by her husband, she managed her household well. She even drew up some rules for her children.

Susannah Wesley's 16 Rules for her Family:

- 1. Eating between meals was not allowed unless sick.
- 2. As children they are to be in bed by 8 p.m.
- 3. They are required to take medicine without complaining.
- 4. Subdue self-will in a child, and those working together with God to save the child's soul.
- 5. To teach a child to pray as soon as he can speak.
- 6. Require all to be still during Family Worship.
- 7. Give them nothing that they cry for, and only that when asked for politely.
- 8. To prevent lying, punish no fault which is first confessed and repented of.
- 9. Never allow a sinful act to go unpunished.
- 10. Never punish a child twice for a single offense.
- 11. Comment and reward good behavior.
- 12. Any attempt to please, even if poorly performed, should be commended.
- 13. Preserve property rights, even in smallest matters.
- 14. Strictly observe all promises.
- 15. Require no daughter to work before she can read well.
- 16. Teach children to fear the rod.

Susannah taught her children to read before they were five. She read the Bible to them and her children read the Bible to one another as they learned to read. Her children could quote numerous, even large, passages from the Old Testament and the New Testament.

<u>She spent one hour each day shut up in her room praying for her children.</u>