



"And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless." (Lk. 1:6)

# LESSONS FROM A CODLY FAMILY



### LESSON 1: LET GOD BE YOUR WITNESS

- Some people can be blameless in their own eyes
  - "Every way of a man is right in his own eyes, but the Lord weighs the hearts." (Prov. 21:2)
  - "In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes." (Judg. 21:25)





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- Some people may witness that a person is blameless
  - EX: The Pharisees





## WHAT IF OTHERS WITNESS FALSELY AGAINST YOU, OR TRUTHFULLY REGARDING WHAT IS RIGHT AND TRUE?

- Then Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married; for he had married an Ethiopian woman. 2 So they said, "Has the Lord indeed spoken only through Moses? Has He not spoken through us also?" And the Lord heard it. 3 (Now the man Moses was very humble, more than all men who were on the face of the earth.) 4 Suddenly the Lord said to Moses, Aaron, and Miriam, "Come out, you three, to the tabernacle of meeting!" So the three came out. 5 Then the Lord came down in the pillar of cloud and stood in the door of the tabernacle, and called Aaron and Miriam. And they both went forward.
- 6 Then He said, "Hear now My words: If there is a prophet among you, I, the Lord, make Myself known to him in a vision; I speak to him in a dream. 7 Not so with My servant Moses; He is faithful in all My house. 8 I speak with him face to face, Even plainly, and not in dark sayings; And he sees the form of the Lord. Why then were you not afraid To speak against My servant Moses?" (Num. 12:1-8)



### LESSON 2: DO NOT BE TOO CONCERNED WITH THE ASSESSMENT OF OTHERS

"But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by a human court. In fact, I do not even judge myself. 4 For I know of nothing against myself, yet I am not justified by this; but He who judges me is the Lord. 5 Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts. Then each one's praise will come from God." (1 Cor. 4:3-5)



### LESSON 3: HARDSHIPS MAY COME UPON THE RIGHTEOUS

- The HS witnesses that they were blameless, but they were still suffering
- Hardships will come upon the righteous
- "We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God." (Acts 14:22)



### LESSON 4: PRAY WITHOUT LOSING HEART

- Zacharia and Elizabeth did not change their disposition towards God because of their "unanswered prayers."
- EX: Hannah
  - "So the woman went her way and ate, and her face was no longer sad." (1 Sam. 1:18)





#### LESSON 5: HOPE IN THE LORD

- When the angel made the announcement to Zacharias, he did not believe him.
- The words of the Bible, do you believe them?



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