

**Called Out for Rebuke – Miriam**

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*Hello! This is Dorothy -*

We are having a wonderful time looking in the Word of God at those who were prophetesses. You might say, “I don’t know anything about prophetesses.” Well, there were five. We have already covered Noadiah, and Miriam in her early stages, when she had been used of God in a most remarkable way. There she was, the young sister, watching out for this little baby who was hidden in the bulrushes. The word for *ark* there - the covering or the protection - is like the ark of the covenant. It is an amazing word. It makes you think of Noah’s ark and that protection, that covering in the storm of life. Oh, I get so excited to think that is where I am in Christ Jesus! I am covered; I am protected in Him. I apply this story to my life today, not just to think this is a story I can tell the children. It looks good and I could even find some pictures to show them what bulrushes look like. It is something that is the living Word and can be applied to exactly where we are.

Then we read, Miriam was there and identified as **the sister of Aaron**.

We know that Moses was the younger brother, but Miriam was not called the sister of Moses in Scripture. God was telling us something there. Then we see that something happened. She had already been used and she had led the singing. She was in a very prominent place

and probably well-known by every woman there of the children of Israel. Really, she cashed in, no doubt, on the fact that Moses was her brother, as well as Aaron, who was the high priest.

But in **Numbers 12:1** we start to read something very different. **And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses . . .** You know, when we speak against a child of God, who is being used of the Spirit of God, we are not really speaking against them; we are speaking against God! We are speaking against the work of the Spirit and the authority of the Spirit of the Lord! Who are we to determine what ministry should be used and what ministry should not be used? This is exactly what they did, because they no longer thought about Moses as the leader. They probably caught the rebellious spirit that was going on in the camp. As they had this spirit going around them, they felt, “Well yes, you know, after all, probably Miriam thought, “ I came before Moses. I remember him as just a toddler and having to watch out for him.”

We read **And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses . . .** May the Spirit of the Lord put His finger on you about that person you have spoken against, because, if so, you have done the devil’s work and, if so, you have hindered the work of the Spirit! Not only will it be bad for yourself spiritually, but it is also that perhaps a door is being stopped through you, and the blood of the people who would have been reached is upon your hands! There will be an accountability for it. So,

those of us who are in the family of God need to love one another and to not speak against the ministry of the anointing of the Word of God going forth in another, that we might stand as a family in one unit, seeing it is the Lord God with whom we will have to deal. The Lord God wants to bless us, He wants to use us, and He wants us in love to pray for one another. It could be by this prayer that that which you see is so obvious could be met and the Lord will do that work for that person.

For a long time I have felt that if there is a problem, to pray for that person. It is amazing that suddenly you love and you revere that person in the Spirit. You put that person way above anything you have ever known or felt in what has happened in your life. That is what God is telling us to do. That is what genuine revival is. It is not a lot of noise and big voices coming into the city and making a big hullabaloo. It is the working out of these things in the Spirit.

It was a sad day when they spake against Moses --

**1 *And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married: for he had married an Ethiopian woman.***

**2 *And they said, Hath the Lord indeed spoken only by Moses? Hath he not spoken also by us? . . .*** In other words, there was something that was getting to them. They did not come out with their

idea that they did not really like this marriage that he had made, but instead, they used attack. They thought, “Well, our word is as good as his! What we have to say is so.” God never asked us to run our little organization or our church on a democratic principle of what do we all think about this. The Lord looks for those who are led by the Spirit, that we might meet before a holy God and see His order and receive what comes through His Word and have a leadership that comes from Heaven itself.

And we read -

**2 . . . And the Lord heard it.**

**3 (Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.)**

**4 And the Lord spake suddenly unto Moses, and unto Aaron, and unto Miriam, Come out ye three unto the tabernacle of the congregation. And they three came out.**

**5 And the Lord came down in the pillar of the cloud, and stood in the door of the tabernacle, and called Aaron and Miriam: and they both came forth.**

What if He today said, “Right where you are, I am speaking to you! I am calling your name. I am saying that the responsibility of the work of my Spirit, to go through you and around the people that you are with, is being hindered by what you are saying and your attitude of

rebellion.”What would you answer? Come to the Lord and, in this moment, get right in your heart with Him.

*For Jesus sake, Amen.*