

While they were at Hazeroth, Miriam and Aaron criticized Moses because he had married a Cushite woman. They said, "Has the Lord spoken only through Moses? Hasn't he spoken through us, too?"

~Numbers 12:1-2

But the Lord heard them. (Now Moses was very humble — more humble than any other person on earth.) So immediately the Lord called to Moses, Aaron, and Miriam and said, "Go out to the Tabernacle, all three of you!" So the three of them went to the Tabernacle.

~Numbers 12:3-4

Then the Lord descended in the pillar of cloud and stood at the entrance of the Tabernacle. "Aaron and Miriam!" he called, and they stepped forward. And the Lord said to them, "Now listen to what I say:

~Numbers 12:5-6

If there were prophets among you, I, the Lord, would reveal myself in visions. I would speak to them in dreams. But not with my servant Moses. Of all my house, he is the one I trust. I speak to him face to face, clearly, and not in riddles! He sees the Lord as he is. So why were you not afraid to criticize my servant Moses? The Lord was very angry with them.

~Numbers 12:6-9

## As the cloud moved from above the Tabernacle, there stood Miriam, her skin as white as snow from leprosy.

~Numbers 12:10

Oh, my master! Please don't punish us for this sin we have so foolishly committed. Don't let her be like a stillborn baby, already decayed at birth.

~Numbers 12:11-12

## **Two Important Applications**

I. Unjustified anger is a <u>serious</u> <u>sin</u>.

Be slow to get angry. Human anger does not produce the righteousness God desires.

~James 1:19-20

## Two Important Applications

- I. Unjustified anger is a **serious sin**.
- II. Unjustified anger has a common **CAUSE**.

God opposes the proud but favors the humble.

~James 4:6

