

Hannah: A Life Lived Devoted To God
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FBC MISSION: Seeking to honor God by developing fully devoted followers of Jesus who love, live, and share Him.

Text: 1 Samuel 1-2

Introduction:

Big Idea: To live a life devoted to God one must learn to navigate the troubled waters of personal _____ and _____.

Hannah points each of us to the trustworthiness of God in all circumstances:

1. Hannah's health issues triggered deep personal pain and anguish but _____ was at _____ in every part of her _____. (1:1-8)

2. Hannah seeks God honestly and humbly in _____. Her prayers are fervent; nothing is left _____. (1:9-18)

3. God always makes a way and sometimes he says " _____ " to our _____ (1:19-20)

4. Hannah _____ that God's plan for Samuel was better than her _____ or her _____. (1:11, 21-28)

5. God is worthy to be _____ in all circumstances (2:1-11)

Truth into Action

1. **Hannah did not react negatively when she was provoked but chose to WORSHIP. Let our pain and sorrow become our pathway to worship.**
2. **Hannah verbalized her pain through prayer. Make it your pattern to be persistent in prayer.**
3. **Hannah gave the Lord what mattered most to her. Be a good steward of God's blessings in your life.**



Please understand we want to help you know Jesus personally and journey with you in taking fresh steps of obedience daily. We would love to pray with you and for you. Join us at the end of the service for prayer or send us your request on the Connect Card and we will lift them up throughout the week.

Table Talk

Warm Up: Why is it so challenging to follow God in obedience when others don't seem to care?

Questions for Discussion:

1. Describe the life situation in which Hannah lived: both the historical/political and her family life. How does this context in which she lived show us her strength of character?
2. Hannah does not react negatively when provoked. (1 Samuel 1:7) How do you think you might have responded? Why do you think Hannah was able to respond the way she did?
3. Read Hannah's prayer of praise in 1 Samuel 2:1-10. List what she says about God; about herself.
4. What do we learn from Hannah about being a godly parent?

Closing Prayer: Thank you God for our moms and those women who have nurtured our hearts for the Lord. Help me be a disciple maker of others.

Helpful Resources on Infertility:

<https://www.biblicalcounselingcoalition.org/2020/11/19/caring-for-those-suffering-from-infertility-part-one/>
<https://www.biblicalcounselingcoalition.org/2020/11/18/fruitful-infertility-body-sex-and-gods-kingdom/>