

“The God Who Remembers”

1 Samuel 1:15–19

1. Faithful in the _____:

Hannah shows us how we can live right in a world gone wrong.

(Jdg. 21:25; 1 Sam. 2:12)

2. _____ in the pain:

Hannah poured out her soul to the Lord in honest prayer.

Trials tend to drive us either closer to God in dependence or farther away in frustration.

(1 Sam. 1:10–16)

3. Hope in His _____:

Hannah’s prayer in chapter 2 is a powerful declaration that God is ultimately in control.

(1 Sam. 1:19; 1 Sam. 2:1–10; Rom. 8:26–28)

Discussion Questions

1. Can you think of an instance when someone remembered you or reached out to you unexpectedly after a long period of time? How did that make you feel?
“The Lord remembered [Hannah].” (1 Samuel 1:19), meaning He acted with grace towards her.
How does knowing that the God of the universe is actively mindful of your specific situation influence the way you worship and pray?
2. Read Judges 21:25 and 1 Samuel 2:12–17, 22–25. These passages highlight the moral chaos of Hannah's day, even among the religious leaders. How does living in a chaotic culture affect your personal faith, and how can you guard against becoming cynical?
3. 1 Samuel 1:6 makes it clear that "the Lord had closed [Hannah's] womb." This can be a hard truth to swallow. How do you reconcile God's goodness with the fact that He sometimes allows—or even ordains—seasons of "barrenness" or waiting in our lives? How does Romans 8:28 change your perspective on these difficult seasons?
4. Hannah’s prayer was so intense that Eli thought she was drunk, yet she was actually "pouring out her soul" to the Lord (1 Samuel 1:12–16). Do you ever feel the need to be "stoic" or "composed" in your prayers? If so, does Hannah’s example influence your posture towards God? Is there anything that you need to pour out to God this week?
5. In her prayer of praise (1 Samuel 2:1–10), Hannah focuses more on the character of God than on her new child, Samuel. Is there a "blessing" in your life that has started to eclipse your devotion to the Giver? How can you follow Hannah’s example of worship?



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