

Sermon: New Beginnings: Dedication to a Life in Christ

1. Introduction

2. Part 1: The Gift of New Life

- **Scripture Reading:** Psalm 127:3-4
- Key Point: Children are a heritage and reward from God, representing new beginnings and hope.
- Proverbs 22:6: Start children off on the way they should go.

3. Part 2: Dedication in Scripture

- **Example 1: Hannah and Samuel (1 Samuel 1:24-28)**
 - Highlight Hannah's worship and lifelong commitment.
 - Encourage parents to trust God with their child's journey.
- **Example 2: Jesus' Dedication (Luke 2:22-24)**
 - Emphasize Joseph and Mary's commitment to raising Jesus according to Scripture.
 - Connect dedication of children to the family's prior dedication to God.

4. Part 3: Personal Dedication to Christ

- **Scripture Reading:** Romans 12:1
- Key Point: Dedication is a daily choice to live for Christ.
- Encouragement:
 - Emphasize the joy and fulfillment in living a life dedicated to Jesus.
 - Highlight the importance of community support in the journey of faith.
 - Invite reflection on personal dedication and encourage recommitment to Christ.

5. Conclusion

- Invite the worship team to lead in a time of reflection and dedication.
- Encourage the congregation to say "Yes" to Jesus and deepen their relationship with Him.