

Children's House Church - Bible Study (Week 5/14~20)

Bible Story: God provided for Hannah (1 Samuel 1-3)

Read Together: 1 Samuel 3:1-11

Today's Bible Study Time

1. Read together Samuel 3:1-11
 2. Think about the discussion questions and share what you learned from Hannah's story.
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[Message Points: "God's words to be in my heart"]

1. There is always reason for hope because God is faithful

- There always remains faithful people
- God never gives up on His mission of restoration

2. Samuel spoke God's words to the people as a prophet

- Hannah's prayer brought more than what she prayed for (King Saul, King David)
- There is power in our prayer: God leads our prayers to His greater plan

3. God shows us what God is like and who God is like

- Through the Word of God, the Bible
- Jesus Christ is the Word

<< Practice two counter punches as a Christian: God's words and prayers.

That is how we are to live in this world. >>

[Summary]

A man named Elkanah lived with his wife Hannah. Hannah really wanted children, but she didn't have any. Every year, Elkanah went to the tabernacle to worship. Hannah went with him. She prayed: "Lord, if You give me a son, I will dedicate him to You. He will serve You all of his life."

A priest named Eli saw her. Eli thought something was wrong with Hannah. "I've been pouring out my heart before the Lord," she explained. Eli replied, "Go in peace. May God answer your prayers."

Hannah and Elkanah returned home, and God answered her prayers. Hannah gave birth to a son. She named the baby Samuel. When Samuel was a little older, Hannah took him to Eli. Hannah pledged Samuel to serve God.

Every year, Hannah returned with a new robe for Samuel. One night, Samuel was lying in the tabernacle when Samuel heard someone call his name. Samuel ran to Eli. "Here I am; you

called me.” But it wasn’t Eli. He told Samuel to go back to bed. God called Samuel three times, and each time Samuel ran to Eli. Eli finally understood that God was calling to Samuel. He told Samuel how to respond.

God called, “Samuel, Samuel!” This time, Samuel spoke up, “Speak, for Your servant is listening.” God was going to judge Eli’s family for their sin. Eli’s sons served as priests in the tabernacle, but they were sinning against God. Samuel was afraid, but he shared God’s message with Eli. God used Samuel to share His plan with the nation of Israel.

[Discussion Questions]

Q1. What does this story teach me about God?

Q2. What should we learn from Hannah’s prayer? (Read 1 Samuel 2:1-10)

Q3. Does God really hear us when we pray? What do you think?

Q4. How can we know what God is like and who God is like?

[Christ Connection]

Hannah trusted God and sent Samuel away from home to serve God with his whole life.

God sent Jesus from heaven to earth to be our Savior. Just as Samuel used God’s words to tell people about God, Jesus—the Word who became flesh—perfectly shows us what God is like.
