# Family Worship

God is King: Give Him the Highest Honour

10.1.2021

## Opening Prayer

Our Heavenly Father, thank you for our family.

And thank you for the privilege of coming together for worship.

Help us to understand Your Word and obey it with a joyful heart.

In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

#### 10,000 Reasons

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vSxocnIaNOA



# Catechism Time!

Bible truths for teaching children

#### Question 30

**Q:** What is faith in Jesus Christ?

A: Receiving and resting on him alone for salvation as he is offered to us in the gospel.

#### This means...

Having faith in Jesus is to believe and embrace him because only he can rescue us from the sinking world of sin and death.

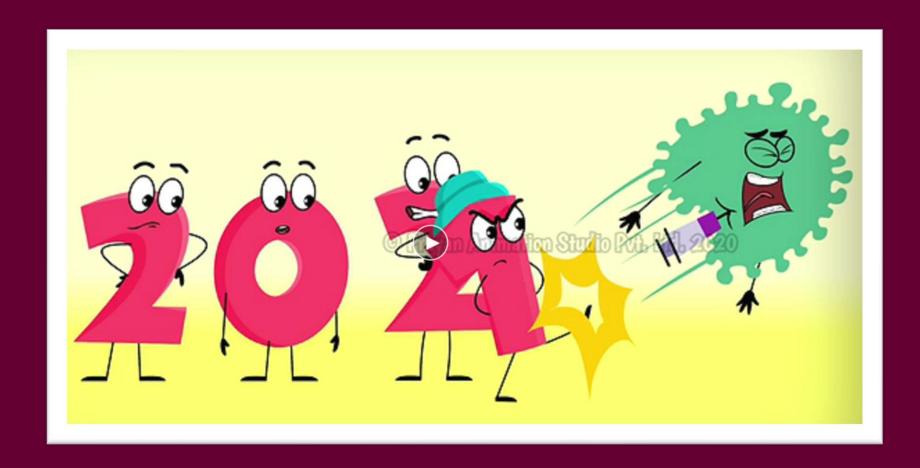
#### Bible verse (Galatians 2:20)

I have been crucified with Christ.

It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.

And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

### Our 2021 Family Worship Theme is...

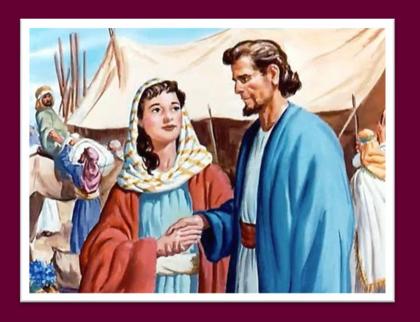




### Our 2021 Family Worship Theme is...

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If you have your Bible, please read today's reading 1 Samuel 1:1-28





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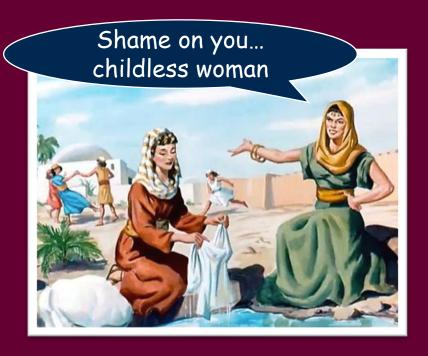
There was a man named Elkanah son of Jeroham. Elkanah had two wives. One was named Hannah, and the other was named Peninnah. Peninnah had children, but Hannah had none.

Every year Elkanah left his town Ramah and went up to Shiloh. There he worshiped the Lord Almighty and offered sacrifices to him. Shiloh was where Hophni and Phinehas served as priests of the Lord. They were the sons of Eli. When Elkanah offered sacrifices, he always gave a share of the meat to his wife Peninnah. He also gave shares of the meat to her sons and daughters.





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But Elkanah always gave a special share of the meat to Hannah. He did this because he loved Hannah and because the Lord had made Hannah unable to have children.

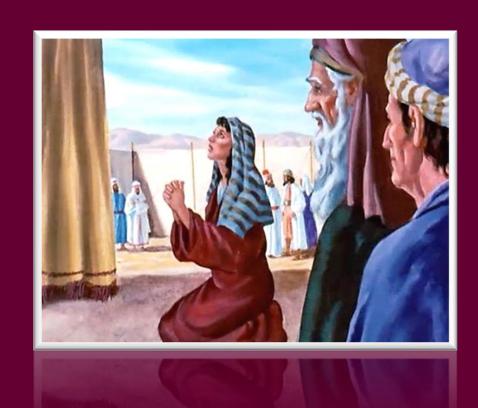
Peninnah would upset Hannah and make her feel bad. She did this because the Lord had made Hannah unable to have children. This happened every year when they went up to the Tent of the Lord at Shiloh. Peninnah would upset Hannah until Hannah would cry and not eat anything.

Her husband Elkanah would say to her, "Hannah, why are you crying? Why won't you eat? Why are you sad? Don't I mean more to you than ten sons?"

Once, after they had eaten their meal in Shiloh, Hannah got up. Now Eli the priest was sitting on a chair near the entrance to the Lord's Holy Tent. Hannah was very sad. She cried much and prayed to the Lord. She made a promise.

She said, "Lord Almighty, see how bad I feel. Remember me! Don't forget me. If you will give me a son, I will give him back to you all his life. And no one will ever use a razor to cut his hair."

While Hannah kept praying, Eli watched her mouth. She was praying in her heart. Her lips moved, but her voice was not heard. So Eli thought she was drunk. He said to her, "Stop getting drunk! Throw away your wine!"





Hannah answered, "No, master, I have not drunk any wine or beer. I am a woman who is deeply troubled. I was telling the Lord about all my problems. Don't think of me as an evil woman. I have been praying because of my many troubles and much sadness."

Eli answered, "Go in peace. May the God of Israel give you what you asked of him."

Hannah said, "I want to be pleasing to you always." Then she left and ate something. She was not sad anymore.

Early the next morning Elkanah's family got up and worshiped the Lord. Then they went back home to Ramah. Elkanah had intimate relations with his wife Hannah. And the Lord remembered her.

So Hannah became pregnant, and in time she gave birth to a son. She named him Samuel. She said, "His name is Samuel because I asked the Lord for him." (Samuel sounds like the Hebrew word for "God heard.")

Every year Elkanah went to Shiloh to offer sacrifices. He went to keep the promise he had made to God. He brought his whole family with him. So once again he went up to Shiloh. But Hannah did not go with him. She told him, "When the boy is old enough to eat solid food, I will take him to Shiloh. Then I will give him to the Lord. He will become a Nazirite. He will always live there at Shiloh."

Elkanah, Hannah's husband, said to her, "Do what you think is best. You may stay home until the boy is old enough to eat. May the Lord do what you have said." So Hannah stayed at home to nurse her son until he was old enough to eat.





When Samuel was old enough to eat, Hannah took him to the Tent of the Lord at Shiloh. She also took a three-year-old bull, one-half bushel of flour and a leather bag filled with wine. They killed the bull for the sacrifice.

Then Hannah brought Samuel to Eli. She said to Eli, "As surely as you live, my master, I am the same woman who stood near you praying to the Lord. I prayed for this child. The Lord answered my prayer and gave him to me. Now I give him back to the Lord. He will belong to the Lord all his life."

And he worshiped the Lord there.

#### Family Discussion

- 1. When Peninnah put shame on Hannah, what did Hannah do?
  - ☐ She took revenge on Peninnah
  - ☐ She cried to the Lord

What would you do if you were Hannah?

- 2. (Page 12) Hannah turned to God and made a promise to Him. What was the promise?
  - In the Old Testament when a person wanted to dedicate himself to God completely, he would make a Nazarite vow by not drinking wine or cutting his hair, etc. The parents of Samuel, Samson and John the Baptist made this vow to dedicate their children to God.

#### Family Discussion

- 3. (Page 11) Why did God make Hannah not able to have children?
  - ☐ God is cruel
  - God wanted Hannah to learn to depend on Him
  - God has a special purpose for her son and wanted Hannah to dedicate her son to Him

What can you learn about God's character from this?

- 4. (Page 13) After Hannah prayed in Shiloh, she was not sad any more. Nothing has changed as she was still without children, so why wasn't she sad anymore?
- 5. One key theme of 1 & 2 Samuel is that God is our King. Now, a king hears petition from his people. He also provides, judges and protects the well being of his people.
  - ☐ How did Hannah show that God was her King?
  - ☐ How did she honour God?

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- □ To Hannah, God was her King
- ☐ She appealed to her King, and the King answered her, took away her shame, helped her grow in faith and accomplished His will through her son, Samuel
- ☐ She honoured God by coming to Him as her King, not taking things into her own hands
- □ Samuel became a great servant of God
- □ Samuel served as Israel's last judge and God's prophet. He also anointed Saul and then David as king of Israel

## Family Prayer Time

1. Thank God for His Word and help so we may learn from Him.

2. Ask your children to pray for what they have learned just now.

3. Ask your family how you can pray for them specifically.

### You are the King of Glory

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