



Wednesday Night Bible Study 1 Samuel 1-5
September 16, 2020

Outline, Structure, and Features

Introduction

1. Context from Judges: "In those days there was no _____ in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes." Judges 21:25
2. 1 & 2 Samuel are to be read as one book and _____ story, not 45 stories and 2 separate books
3. Key theme: The need for a good and godly _____
4. Corollary theme: the proper _____ of Yahweh
5. First & Second Samuel must be read as Old Testament Narrative
 - a. Key elements are setting, characters, and plot
 - b. Be aware of the _____-shame structure of society

I. The _____ of Samuel (1 Samuel 1:1-2:11)

- A. God answers Hannah's Prayer (1:1-20)
- B. Samuel is Given to the Lord (1:21-28)
- C. Hannah's Prayer (2:1-11)

II. God's _____ of Eli's House (1 Samuel 2:12-5:12)

- A. The sins of Eli's sons (2:12-21)
- B. Eli rebukes his sons (2:22-26)
- C. A man of God declares to Eli that his house will be cut off (2:27-36)
- D. The Lord calls Samuel (3:1-9)
- E. The Lord's message to Samuel: Eli's house will be punished (2:10-21)
- F. The Philistines capture the Ark & Eli's sons are killed (4:1-11)
- G. The death of Eli (4:12-22)
- H. The Philistines and the Ark (5:1-12)

Christ Connections

1. Samuel himself _____ Christ

i. Unique Birth

ii. Samuel serves roles of Prophet, Priest, and Judge

iii. Hannah's song & Mary's Song (See below)

iv. 1 Samuel 2:26 virtually quoted about Christ in Luke 2:52

26 Now the boy Samuel was growing in stature and in favor both with the Lord and with men. —1 Samuel 2:26

52 And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men. —Luke 2:52

2. Christ the _____ King

The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king and exalt the horn of his anointed. —1 Samuel 2:10b

3. Christ the _____ Priest

And I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who shall do according to what is in my heart and in my mind. And I will build him a sure house, and he shall go in and out before my anointed forever. —1 Samuel 2:35

Hannah's Prayer (1 Samuel 2:1-11)	Mary's Song (Luke 1:46-56)
Intro "And Hannah prayed and said..." (2:1)	Intro "And Mary said..." (1:46)
Note: concerning her son Samuel	Note: concerning her son Jesus
"My heart exults in the Lord" (2:1)	"My soul magnifies the Lord" (1:46)
"Because I rejoice in your salvation" (2:1)	"My spirit rejoices in God my Savior"
"There is none holy like the Lord" (2:2)	"And holy is his name." (1:49)
"Talk no more so very proudly" (2:3)	"He has scattered the proud" (1:51)
"The bows of the mighty are broken" (2:4)	"He has brought down the mighty" (1:52)
"Those who were hungry have ceased" (2:5)	"He has filled the hungry" (1:53)
"The Lord makes poor and makes rich" (2:7)	"The rich he has sent away empty" (1:53)
"He will guard the feet of his faithful" (2:9)	"He has helped his servant Israel" (1:54)
The promise "He will give strength to his king and exalt the horn of his anointed." (2:10)	The promise "As he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring forever" (1:55)
End "Then Elkanah went home to Ramah. And the boy was ministering to the Lord" (2:11)	End: "Mary remained with her about three months and returned to her home" (1:56)
	Zechariah's Prophecy
"My horn is exalted in the Lord." (2:1), "and exalt the horn of his anointed." (2:10)	"And has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David." (1:69)

What do we learn from this section?

1. Who is God?

- a. God is _____ and there is no one like God
- b. God's _____ is seen in his allowing some things to happen but not others.
- c. God is a _____

2. What has He done?

- a. God answered Hannah's prayer
- b. God called Samuel and had a special purpose for him
- c. God rejected and judged Eli's evil children
- d. God allowed the Ark to be captured
- e. God loves and _____ at people that the world dismisses. God is not impressed by worldly impressive people.

3. Who are we?

- a. _____ and brokenness is everywhere. Hannah's infertility and conflict with her rival. Eli's evil sons and Eli's failure to restrain them.
- b. We are _____ on God. We do not have as much ability as we may believe

4. What are we to do?

- a. Come to God in _____ and dependence (2:3-8)
- b. Recognize and obey God's call on our lives (3:9)
- c. Seek to honor and worship Yahweh.

Questions and Answers