

The Life of Hannah

Throughout the Bible, we read of numerous examples of godly mothers. From Eve to Eunice, godly women dedicated themselves first to God, and then their families. Their examples teach us what God expects from mothers today. Their life is a reminder of powerful influence that women, especially our mothers, can have on our eternity.

One of the greatest examples of this is that of Hannah. When we are first introduced to Hannah, she is in a difficult situation (*I Sam. 1:2-7*). The first thing that is said about her is that she “*had no children.*” Even though her husband loved her immensely, “*the Lord had closed her womb.*” It is from this point that we begin to read about the godly life that she would live; and the godly mother that she would become.

Hannah was faithful to God despite her circumstances. According to the ways of the world, she was in a miserable condition. The women of her day were judged based upon their children. Of course, she had no children. But she did not allow her circumstances to determine her faithfulness to God. She went with Elkanah, her husband, to the tabernacle to worship. While there, she “*prayed to the Lord and wept in anguish*” (*1:10*). Her prayer was simple: “*If You will indeed look on the affliction of Your maidservant and remember me, and not forget Your maidservant, but will give Your maidservant a male child, then I will give him to the Lord all the days of his life*” (*1:11*). She trusted in God.

This is exactly what happens. God blesses her with a child named Samuel; and she dedicates him to the work of the Lord. She brings him to the tabernacle, and he lives with Eli, the priest. He would grow up to become one of the greatest prophets in the history of Israel. It all started with a godly mother who put the things of God above the things of this world.

We would do well to learn this great lesson from Hannah. Above all else, she wanted her son to be faithful to God. She wanted to give him every opportunity to be faithful to God. For Hannah, it was not about the physical things of life, it was about Samuel’s spiritual well-being.

Godly mothers have a great impact on us. They work tirelessly to provide for our needs in this world. But more than that, they work to give us an opportunity to be faithful to God. Like Hannah, they sacrifice of themselves for the greater good of their family. May we always be thankful for godly mothers; and may we always honor them for the influence they have on our life.

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