

1 Samuel 1:19-28

¹⁹ They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. ²⁰ In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

²¹ The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice and to pay his vow. ²² But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, "As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the LORD and remain there forever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time."^[a] ²³ Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Do what seems best to you; wait until you have weaned him; only, may the LORD establish your^[b] word." So the woman remained and nursed her son until she weaned him. ²⁴ When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull,^[c] an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh, and the child was young. ²⁵ Then they slaughtered the bull and brought the child to Eli. ²⁶ And she said, "Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence praying to the LORD. ²⁷ For this child I prayed, and the LORD has granted me the petition that I made to him. ²⁸ Therefore I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he is given to the LORD." And they worshiped the LORD there.