

## ***“Heroes Of The Faith” – SAMUEL***

**INTRODUCTION:** God had a PLAN ... Creation ... Early Man ...  
Patriarchs ... Judges ... Prophets ... Kings ...

**1 Samuel 1:1-2** – Hannah was “barren”, like Sarah, Rachel ...

**1:2** – “two wives” ... A “rival” wife ... Sarah/Hagar ... Lea/Rachel ...

**1:3-5** – Elkanah had a “favorite” wife ... Lea/Rachel ...

**1:6-8** – Hannah is miserable, so she prays in the Tabernacle.

**1:9-10** – Similarities in our “*Heroes of the Faith*” ...

**1:11** – Similarities with Jephthah & Samson ...

**1:12-15** – Eli thinks Hannah is drunk ... she’s praying silently.

**1:16, 17-18** – Hannah is comforted by Eli’s words.

**1:19, 20** – Hannah becomes pregnant with Samuel.

- “**Samuel**” means “*God hears*” ... He “*samuels*” your prayers.

**1:21, 22-23** – Hannah wants to wait a few years to complete her vow.

**1:24-28** – Other “*heroes*” had offered their child to the Lord.

- Children are a “*gift*” from God ... “*loaned*” to us – Eph. 6:4

**2:1, 11** – Samuel was raised by Eli, who had 2 corrupt sons.

**2:12,17** – Offerings to God are to be used wisely – **2:22**

**2:18** – “*linen ephod*” – Worn by Priests ... a “*Jr. Priest*”.

**2:19-21** – Hannah annually brought Samuel an “*under-robe*”.

**2:22-26** – Eli lost control of his 2 sons.

**2:25** – Compare sinning against another person – 1 John 2:9 ...

and intentional sin against God – Romans 12:19

- God has provided an Intercessor – Hebrews 7:25, 1 John 2:1

**3:1** – Samuel was 12-15 Yr. Old ... a “*disciple*” of Eli.

- This is a “*transitional period*” from Judges to Prophets to Kings.

**3:2-5** – Eli was old and almost blind ... he often called for Samuel in the night, and Samuel was used to responding.

**3:6-7** – Samuel thought he was hearing voices in the night.

**3:8-9** – Eli wasn’t very perceptive as a Priest & Judge – **3:1**

**3:7** – Though brought up in “*church*”, Samuel wasn’t SAVED.

- Eli wasn’t a good role model, mentor, example.

**3:10** – Samuel left out “**LORD**” ... he didn’t know Him! – **3:7**

- You are personally known by Almighty God!