

Lesson 10 November 20, 2024

Who IS That Woman?

Women in the Bible who got it right and those who didn't

Two Women – One Toxic and One Gracious

1 Samuel 1:1 – 2:11

1. During the later part of the period of the judges, a woman named _____ was married to _____. They lived in the town of Ramah. Unfortunately, he had two wives - Hannah who suffered from infertility and Peninnah who had children (1 Samuel 1:1-2).
2. Each year Elkanah took his family to the “_____” at Shiloh to worship and offer a sacrifice to the LORD. According to the sacrificial law, Elkanah gave part of the meat to each wife and her children which only accentuated Hannah’s painful reality even though he gave her a _____. That made Peninnah _____, so she _____ Hannah unmercifully and made her cry. When Elkanah tried to comfort Hannah, he did not help matters - at all (vv. 3-8).
3. One year Hannah was so distraught, she left the celebratory meal and went into the temple _____. Through sorrowful tears of desperation, Hannah cried out to the LORD, begging Him for a son. She even made a vow that if He would give her a son, she would _____ to be a _____ all the days of his life (vv. 9-11).
4. _____, who was sitting by the door, observed Hannah and jumped to conclusions, accusing her of being _____. He scolded her _____ (vv. 12-14).
5. However, Hannah quickly explained her deep distress and asked Eli not to think _____ of her (vv. 15-16).
6. Convinced that Hannah was praying out of desperation, Eli _____ her saying, “Go in peace and may the God of Israel grant what you have asked of Him.” Hannah left greatly _____, _____ that the LORD had heard her prayer. Then, after worship the next morning, all the family returned to Ramah (vv. 17-19a).

7. In due time, the LORD answered her prayer. Hannah _____ and gave birth to a son whom she and Elkanah named _____ - "asked of the LORD" (vv.19b-20).

8. With Elkanah's blessing, Hannah and Samuel did not accompany him and the rest of the family to Shiloh the next year. Hannah said that she would attend the feast after she _____ Samuel (vv. 21-23).

9. When Samuel was about three years old, Hannah and Elkanah took him to the feast at Shiloh. They carried a bull, flour, and wine to offer as a _____. True to her promise, Hannah took Samuel to Eli, reminding him that she was the distraught woman who had prayed for a child at the temple a few years earlier and had promised to give him back to the LORD. She said, "So now I give him _____. For his _____ he will be given over to the LORD" (vv. 24-28).

10. After leaving Samuel with Eli, Hannah prayed, **praising the LORD** for **Who He is**, for **rescuing her from Peninnah's pride and oppression**, and for being her **strength when she was weak** (vv. 2:1-11).

11. Although her time was limited with Samuel from that point on, she did what she could. She made him a new _____ each year and took it to him (v. 2:19).

12. Little did she know that the LORD would use her baby boy in a powerful way. Samuel would be the _____ and play a critical role in the future of Israel, anointing the _____ and providing _____ for many years.

13. "The LORD was gracious to Hannah. She conceived and gave birth to **three sons and two daughters** (v. 2:21).

What can I learn from Peninnah and Hannah?



_____ no matter whether _____ who is jealous or if _____ of another person's jealousy. It always causes _____. It is a matter of the heart and must be _____.

"For wherever there is jealousy and selfish ambition, there you will find **disorder and evil of every kind**" (James 3:16).



When I have a **deep hurt or unfulfilled longing in my heart**, the best thing I can do is to _____ "**pour out my soul to the Lord,**" _____ Him to answer according to His will and _____ Him when He does.

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Review: Review Lessons 1 – 10 and look for additional Spiritual Applications.