

“Through the Bible: I Samuel 1-6”

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I. Hannah Prays and Vows; Judgment Comes to Eli’s House (I Sam. 1-2)

- A. I Sam. 1:1-2 introduces us to a man named _____ who had two wives, _____ and _____. What difference between the wives does the Bible enumerate? _____
- B. “And her adversary also provoked her _____, for to make her _____, because the LORD had shut up her womb” (I Sam. 1:6).
- C. In bitterness of soul, Hannah prayed to the Lord and made what vow (I Sam. 1:10-11)? _____
- D. As Eli witnessed Hannah pray with “only her _____” moving (I Sam. 1:13), what conclusion did he draw about her (I Sam. 1:13-14)? _____
- E. Hannah gave birth to a son named _____ (I Sam. 1:20). When finished _____ him, she kept her promise and “_____ him to the _____” (I Sam. 1:28).
- F. I Sam. 2:1-10 records Hannah’s prayer of rejoicing. What sad information about the sons of Eli do we discover in I Sam. 2:12? _____
- G. Bible readers also notice Hannah was blessed with _____ sons and _____ daughters (I Sam. 2:21).
- H. Further investigation shows Eli’s sons to be doing awful things at the door of the tabernacle (I Sam 2:22). Eli tried to correct them, but they “_____ not unto the voice of their _____” (I Sam. 2:25).
- I. I Sam. 2:27-36 tells of a speech made to Eli by a “man of _____.” Because of sinful sacrificial practices, and failing to restrain his sons, Eli and his house would be “cut _____” (I Sam. 2:31) and Hophni and Phineas will “in _____ day...shall _____ both of them” (I Sam. 2:34).

II. The Lord Calls to Samuel; Israel Battles the Philistines (I Sam. 3-4)

- A. “And the child Samuel _____ unto the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was _____ in those days; there was no _____ vision” (I Sam. 3:1).
- B. Samuel heard a voice in the dark and thought it was _____ (I Sam. 3:5-8). However, Eli perceived it was the Lord and said “Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he _____ thee, that thou shalt say, _____, LORD; for thy servant _____” (I Sam. 3:9).
- C. What did God instruct Samuel to tell Eli (I Sam. 3:11-14)? _____
- D. “And Samuel told him every _____, and hid _____ from him” (I Sam. 3:18). All Israel knew Samuel was “established to be a _____ of the Lord” (I Sam. 3:20).

- E. Read I Sam. 4:1-9. After losing about _____ men in battle (I Sam. 4:2), what did the children of Israel determine to do to begin winning? And how did the Philistines react to the noise in Israel's camp? _____
- F. Despite Israel's effort, _____ footmen died in battle, including _____ and _____. As well, what else was stolen (I Sam. 4:10-11)? _____
- G. This bad news brought about many dreadful things. Eli (_____ years old) "fell from off the seat _____ by the side of the gate, and his neck _____, and he _____" (I Sam. 4:15,18). Phineas' wife also died while giving birth to _____ (I Sam. 4:21).

III. The Ark of the Covenant Exchanges Hands (I Sam. 5-6)

- A. "And the Philistines took the _____ of God, and brought it from Ebenezer unto _____" (I Sam. 5:1). What transpired over I Sam. 5:2-5? _____
- B. The ark traveled from _____ (I Sam. 5:6) to _____ (I Sam. 5:8) to _____ (I Sam. 5:10). But in each place, "he smote the men of the city, both small and great, and they had _____ in their secret parts" (I Sam. 5:9).
- C. Finally and wisely, they decided to do what with the ark (I Sam. 5:11)? _____
- D. The Philistines called for _____ and _____ (I Sam. 6:2) to help determine what to do with the ark. They were told to make a "_____ cart" (I Sam. 6:7) and "take the _____ of the LORD, and _____ it upon the _____" (I Sam. 6:8).
- E. How did the people of Beth-shemesh react when they saw the ark (I Sam. 6:13)? _____
- F. "And he _____ the men of Beth-shemesh, because they had _____ into the ark of the LORD, even he smote of the people _____ men: and the people lamented, because the LORD had smitten many of the people with a great _____" (I Sam. 6:19).
- G. At this event, the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh told the people of Kirjath-jearim "The Philistines have brought again the ark of the LORD; _____ ye down, and _____ it up to you" (I Sam. 6:21).