

“One Mother’s Prayer of Praise” Mother’s Day 2025

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Key Truth: Hannah’s prayer of praise teaches us that God doesn’t just answer our prayers, he also saves.

If we were in Hannah’s situation, having just been given the gift of a son, our prayer of praise may be filled with thanksgivings and supplications—thanking God for this child and asking God to protect him. However, Hannah goes much deeper than her own condition and prays a prayer that teaches about God. While she obviously rejoices over God’s gift, she seems much more tuned into the theology of God – God’s Person and Work – Who God is and What God has done. As we study this prayer, we can learn so much about God, that it’s worth spending some time meditating on this new mother’s prayer of praise.

DISCUSS

Read **1 Samuel 2:1-10** and discuss with the group a statement or concept that stood out to you or impacted you in the sermon entitled **“One Mother’s Prayer of Praise.”**

DIG IN

Four Truths Hannah’s prayer teaches us about God:

1. God is the Savior. (1 Samuel 2:1)

In what ways does Hannah rejoice in the LORD?

What does it mean that her “horn is exalted in the LORD?”

In what ways does Hannah’s prayer speak of God’s salvation?

2. God is Holy.

(1 Samuel 2:2-3)

In what ways can this part of Hannah’s prayer be called “adoration?”

What does Hannah’s prayer teach us about God’s attributes?

In what ways do we sometimes talk arrogantly in our prayers? How would this prayer change that tendency in us?

3. God is All-Powerful.

(1 Samuel 2:4-8a)

What are ways that Hannah’s prayer speaks of God’s Omnipotence (being all-powerful)?

In what ways did God “fill” Hannah, yet leave her adversary empty?

In what ways were we at one time wicked? How did God humble us?

4. God is Sovereign.

(1 Samuel 2:8b-10)

How does Hannah’s prayer show us that God is sovereign over creation?

In what ways does Hannah’s prayer declare that God is sovereign in carrying out his Messianic plan?

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What lessons do you learn from these verses that you will take with you throughout the coming week?