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Lesson No. 4 Does God answer prayer?



1 Samuel 1: 1-20



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God doesn't always answer our prayers in the way we want Him to. Sometimes He doesn't answer our prayers as quickly as we would like. However, His answers and His plans are always the best!

In the Bible Reading we see that Hannah didn't have any children. This caused her great sadness. The other members of the family didn't understand how she felt.

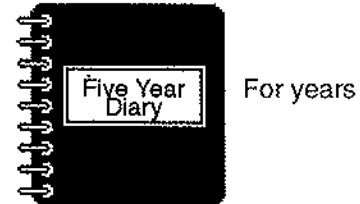


What did Peninnah do to Hannah? (See verse 6.)

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Circle the picture which best describes how long Hannah had to put up with Peninnah.



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What were the first words Elkanah said to Hannah? (See verse 8)

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Hannah stopped eating food because she was so upset. We don't have to wait until things get as bad as this before we pray to God. He will listen to our prayers at any time.

Put the correct words from the list into the next part of the story.

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Hannah _____ and _____ to the Lord. She made a _____ to God that she would let her _____ serve the Lord all his life.

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When we ask for things in prayer, we must also be prepared to let God have His way, and not just pray to please ourselves.

Answer TRUE or FALSE to the following:-

Hannah prayed out loud.

Eli, the priest, thought Hannah was drunk.

Eli said to Hannah, "Go in peace".

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Put the answers to the following clues in the correct positions on the grid.

- 1) The place where they worshipped.
- 2) The woman who prayed.
- 3) The priest watched her _____ while she was praying.
- 4) The priest thought she was _____.
- 5) She was praying from her _____.
- 6) The name of the priest.

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What a difference came over Hannah after she had prayed! Even though her prayer had not yet been answered, she started to eat and no longer looked sad. Hannah believed that God would answer her prayer for a son. *This is praying in faith.*

Write out the LAST PART of the Key Verse to discover why Hannah called her son Samuel.

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The Bible tells us that God answers prayer when we ask in faith. This means trusting Him to give us what He knows is best.

Find out what the Lord Jesus said about prayer by solving the

Word Code Puzzle.

(For example, 'A2' is 'ask', found by following the 'A' across and '2' down. Write each word in the correct box below.)

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A	<i>find</i>	<i>ask</i>	<i>it</i>	<i>unto</i>
B	<i>and</i>	<i>opened</i>	<i>given</i>	<i>you</i>
C	<i>seek</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>shall</i>	<i>knock</i>

A2	<i>Ask</i>	B1	A3	C3	C2
B3		B4	C1	B1	B4
C3		A1	C4	B1	A3
C3		C2	B2	A4	B4

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Hannah's prayer was answered when Samuel was born. As she had promised, Hannah gave him to the Lord. However, God didn't forget Hannah. He gave her five more children! (See 1 Samuel 2: 21.) Sometimes God answers our prayers in the most wonderful ways. Have you had any answers to your prayers? If so, why not thank Him now?

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