



**Sermon Title: *Hannah: A Beautiful Life of Faith***

**Scripture: 1 Samuel 1:1-28**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

### **I. A BEAUTIFUL LIFE OF FAITH THAT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS (verses 1-8)**

1 Samuel 1:1-2 -

1) Beware the subtle danger of weak, shallow pragmatism!

1 Samuel 1:3 -

2) Sadly, the “spiritual leaders” of Israel were self-absorbed and corrupt. (Judges 21:25)

1 Samuel 1:4-8 -

3) Hannah knew what it was to endure ongoing, relentless mocking and ridicule! (John 9:2-3)

### **II. A BEAUTIFUL LIFE OF PRAYER, TRUST, AND PEACE (verses 9-18)**

1 Samuel 1:9-11 -

1) Hannah has come to the end of herself and is desperate for God to work. (Isaiah 57:15)

1 Samuel 1:12-18 -

2) Having entrusted herself into God’s hands, Hannah is at peace as she waits upon the Lord.

### III. A BEAUTIFUL LIFE THAT REJOICES IN GOD'S PLAN AND PROVISION (verses 19-28)

1 Samuel 1:19-20 -

1) Hannah saw, recognized, and celebrated the goodness and grace of God in her life!

1 Samuel 1:21-23 -

2) Hannah took time to cherish the moments she had with Samuel.

1 Samuel 1:24-28 -

3) Hannah prioritized the Lord's will and His glory and worship above all things! (John 16:33)

#### **Questions for Further Study, Reflection, and Application...**

1. What was the culture like in Israel during the time Hannah lived? What was her home life like? Who were the spiritual leaders and priests?
2. How did Hannah respond to the pain and heartache she was experiencing? Where did she go? What did she do?
3. What is so significant about the way that Hannah begins her prayer? How does she address God?
4. How did Hannah respond to the goodness and grace of God in her life?
5. What about Hannah's life and faith is most encouraging and/or convicting to you?