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MOTHER'S DAY

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Commitment

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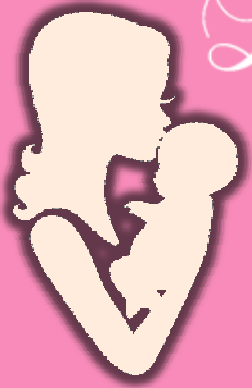


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Go

Hand in Hand

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Good Moms in the Bible

Mary Jesus' Mom

**Elizabeth the Mom of
John the Baptist**

**The unnamed woman that
relentlessly sought Jesus' healing
for her daughter**

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Hannah

1 Samuel 1 & 2

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Hannah's Plight

There was a certain man from Ramathaim, a Zuphite from the hill country of Ephraim, whose name was Elkanah son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an Ephraimite. He had two wives; one was called Hannah and the other Peninnah. Peninnah had children, but Hannah had none.



Hannah's Plight (No Children)

**Children were the life blood of the
Jewish society**

It was a disgrace to have no children

They were the retirement plan

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Hannah's Marriage

**Her Husband had
two wives**

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Hannah was First

Her name is listed first

**She was given greater honor
(v. 4-5)**

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The Situation was Combative
(v. 6-8)

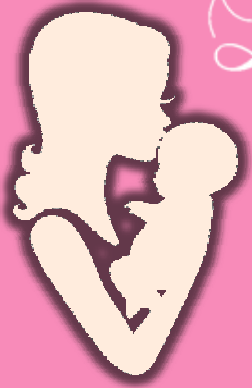
They became rivals

She was provoked and made fun of in her own home

She could not eat Depression

Husband sort of seemed clueless

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Hannah's Commitments

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Situation to God

**In her deep anguish
Hannah prayed to the
Lord, weeping bitterly**

(v. 10)

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Not a One Time Prayer

As she kept on praying to the Lord, Eli observed her mouth

Her Actions were Ridiculed

Hannah was praying in her heart, and her lips were moving but her voice was not heard. Eli thought she was drunk and said to her, "How long are you going to stay drunk? Put away your wine."

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Herself to God

**And she made a vow,
saying, “Lord Almighty, if you
will only look on your servant’s
misery and remember me, and
not forget your servant.**

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“Servant”

**Instead she
acknowledged
God's sovereignty
(Lord Almighty)**





Prayer Changed Hannah's Outlook

She said, “May your servant find favor in your eyes.” Then she went her way and ate something, and her face was no longer downcast. Early the next morning they arose and worshiped before the Lord

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Child to God

"But give her a son, then I will give him to the Lord for all the days of his life, and no razor will ever be used on his head."



Child to God

**I guess you could say she
was trying to make a deal with
God**

She meant it (v. 21-22)

She did it (v.24-28)



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God Honored

Hannah's Commitment

And the Lord was gracious to Hannah; she gave birth to three sons and two daughters. Meanwhile, the boy Samuel grew up in the presence of the Lord.



God Honored Hannah's Commitment

**He blessed her with
more children**

**He blessed her through
Samuel's life**

**All because Hannah
was willing to commit**

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What are You
Willing
to Commit?