

Mother's Day: A Mother's Heart Cry (1 Samuel 1:1-20)

Welcome (10 mins)

Do you know what your name means? Why was your name chosen and how are you like your namesake or like its meaning?

Worship (10 mins)

Song: [One name](#) ([Chords](#))

This is a new song we have done in the evening service and has powerful lyrics of surrender and worship of Jesus. As we look at this incredible example of the life of Hannah, start off by listening to and worshipping the Lord to this song together.

Word (30 mins)

1. What responses does her not having children evoke in Hannah? Elkanah? Peninnah? and Eli?
2. What does Hannah intend for her son by her vow? (See Numbers 6:1-8 for context) What is the irony in Eli's accusation?
3. Why does Hannah's sadness disappear so quickly? (v.18)
4. In what way does Hannah's vow acknowledge who she is putting her trust in?
5. How are you challenged or encouraged by Hannah's response when God gives her a son?
6. Hannah gave up what she wanted most, her son, to God. She was dedicating her entire life and future to God. What does it look like for us to respond to God with everything we have?

Wonder (5-10 mins)

"I was pouring my soul out to the Lord" v.15

Invite the Holy Spirit to search your soul and offer him what is in your heart. Following Hannah's example, take some time to pour out your soul to the Lord. You might want to adopt a different posture. Don't feel the need to rush on.

Witness (5-10 mins)

Alpha Prisons ministry will be hosting the Alpha Course in Pollsmoor in May (date to be confirmed). They would love volunteers from CCK to help lead this course. A bonus would be if you have Alpha hosting experience but it's not a prerequisite. It will run for 10-12 weeks from 8.30 to 11am on a Monday morning in Maximum Security and on a Saturday in Juvenile Remand. Please ask the Lord if this is a ministry opportunity for you. Contact yvonne@cck.org.za to find out more.