**Note:** Consider taking turns reading

Consider reading from different Bible Translations

Consider underlining memory verses in your Bible

Consider having everyone write their memory verses in a journal

Consider keeping track of family members’ prayer requests in a journal

Please adapt these lessons for the needs of your family

**Songs of the Bible**

**Lesson 14 – Hannah’s Prayer/Song**

**Start with Prayer**

**Memory Verse – Psalm 9:1 – I will praise you, O Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonders.**

**Lesson 14 -Scripture: 1 Samuel 2:1-10**

**Lesson 14 - Part 1: Hannah**

**Scripture: 1 Samuel 1**

**Comment:** We have just studied Mary’s Song which is not unlike Hannah’s Prayer or Song in 1 Samuel so we are going to look at Hannah and her prayer/song and then compare the two songs. Hannah, one of Elkanah’s wives, Hannah was childless while Peninnah, Elkanah’s other wife had children and never let Hannah forget she was childless.

**Read: 1 Samuel 1 and answer these questions:**

1. What was Hannah’s plight? (Verse 6)
2. What did Hannah do? (Verses 10,15)
3. What was Eli’s response to Hannah?
4. What was the result of the prayers?
5. What was Hannah’s promise?(Verse 11)

**Something to talk about:** What was Elkanah’s response to the reaction Hannah had to Peninnah’s needling? Was his response a comfort to Hannah? Does it seem that Elkanah agreed with Hannah’s idea of giving Samuel back to the Lord? (Verse 23)

**Next Time we are going to look at what brought on the song!**

**Family Prayer Requests:**

**Pray:** Dear Heavenly Father**,** help us to realize that with you all things are possible. Help us to be as persistent as Hannah, also if making a vow to you, O Lord that we keep that vow as Hannah did. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.

**Songs of the Bible**

**Lesson 14 – Hannah’s Prayer/Song**

**Start with Prayer**

**Review Memory Verse – Psalm 9:1**

**Lesson 14 Scripture: 1 Samuel 2:1-10**

**Lesson 14 – Part 2 – Reason for the Song**

**Scripture: 1 Samuel 1:27-2:3**

**Comment:**  In the first part of this lesson we met Hannah, a barren wife of Elkanah. Hannah prayed diligently for a child, her prayer was answered and she kept her promise to return Samuel to Eli the priest to be raised in the Temple in service of the Lord.

**Read: 1 Samuel 1:27-2:3 and answer these questions:**

1. What did Hannah do?
2. In Hannah’s prayer/song what does her heart do?
3. How does Hannah feel about what God did for her?

**Something to talk about:**  Who does Hannah give the credit for her rejoicing? Who might Hannah consider her “enemy”? List all the things that Hannah says about God, His strength, knowledge etc. What is the message to Peninnah and to everyone in verse 3?

**Next time we will talk about what the Lord does.**

**Family Prayer Requests:**

**Pray:**  Dear Heavenly Father, As Hannah prayed she lifted you up, she remembered who was the source of her deliverance, help us to remember that it is you who provides for us to live each day of our lives and will provide throughout eternity. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.

**Songs of the Bible**

**Lesson 14: Hannah’s Prayer/Song**

**Review Memory Verse – Psalm 9:1**

**Lesson 14 Scripture: 1 Samuel 2:1-10**

**Lesson 14- Part 3 – The Reversals of Life**

**Scripture: 1 Samuel 2:4-7**

**Comment:**  We have seen the rejoicing of Hannah and how she is aware of the strength of God and that God knows all and by him deeds are weighed. This next section shows how ordinary things of life are reversed by God.

**Read: 1 Samuel 2:4-7 and then answer these questions:**

1. What are the three examples of how circumstances of life are changed?

2. What are all the possibilities that the hunger in verse 5a refer to?

3. What point may Hannah be trying to make in verse 5b?

4. Who determines these contrasted circumstances?

**Something to talk about:**  Think of some ways that your life has been changed by God. What areas of your life do you still need to put in God’s hands?

**Next time we will look at what belongs to the Lord.**

**Family Prayer Requests:**

**Pray:** Dear Heavenly Father, help us to realize who gives and takes away. Help us to always give you the honor and the glory. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.

**Songs of the Bible**

**Lesson 14 – Hannah’s Prayer/Song**

**Start with Prayer**

**Review Memory Verse – Psalm 9:1**

**Lesson 14 Scripture: 1 Samuel 2:1-10**

**Lesson 14 – Part 4 – The Power of God**

**Scripture: 1Samuel 2:8-10**

**Comment:**  We saw in these lessons that Hannah was barren, a curse in this culture, but her prayer was answered and she was given a son. She did as she promised and gave Samuel to Eli to be raised in the temple in service to God. Because of this blessing she gave this rendition to the Lord in praise and thanksgiving.

**Read: 1 Samuel 2:8-10 and answer these questions:**

1. What are the poor raised from? How about the needy?
2. Where does God seat them?
3. What is the Lord’s?
4. Who does God guard?

**Something to talk about:** Discuss how to prevail (exist, live) in the Lord verse 10 says it is not by strength – How then? According to the study Bible the last part of verse 10 “He will give strength to his king and exalt the horn of his anointed” His king is prophetic of Christ and the horn is honor and strength to his anointed is Christ.

**Next time we will do a comparison between Mary’s Song and Hannah’s.**

**Family Prayer Requests:**

**Pray:**  Dear Heavenly Father, thank-you for being there for us if poor and needy we will be raised up and there for those that are your faithful you will guard. You will oppose those who are against you and you will judge the ends of the earth. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.

**Songs of the Bible**

**Lesson 14: Hannah’s Prayer/Song**

**Review Memory Verse – Psalm 9:1**

**Lesson 14 Scripture: 1 Samuel 2:1-10**

**Lesson 14- Part 5 – Comparing Mary and Hannah’s Song**

**Scripture: I Samuel 2:1-10 and Luke 1:46-55**

**Comment:**  There is a side by side scripture of the two songs, read through both songs and highlight the phrases that are alike or mean the same although said different.

**Read: I Samuel 2:1-10 and Luke 1:46-55 and then answer these questions:**

1. Is Hannah’s heart the same as Mary’s spirit?

2. Are verse 3 and 48 speaking about the same thing?

3. List what He has done and the contrast in both songs

**Something to talk about:**  Discuss our humility. Do we recognize the strength of the Lord? Do we rejoice in what God does for us?

**Next time we will look at who Zechariah is.**

**Family Prayer Requests:**

**Pray:** Dear Heavenly Father, we may not have such outstanding things as a much wanted baby to rejoice about as Hannah and Mary’s rejoicing in carrying such a special baby but we need to recognize all that God does for us each day just to achieve living from one moment to the next. In Jesus’ Name we pray. Amen.

Hannah’s Prayer/Song

1 Then Hannah prayed and said:[1](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-1" \o "Lk 1:46-55) "My heart rejoices[2](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-2" \o "<passage q=\"Ps 13:5\">Ps 13:5</passage>; 33:21; Zec 10:7; Ps 9:14; 13:5) in the LORD; in the LORD my horn[a](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "fn-descriptionAnchor-a" \o "\"Horn\" here symbolizes strength; also in verse 10.)[3](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-3" \o "Ps 18:2; 89:17,24; 92:10; 148:14; Isa 12:2-3) is lifted high. My mouth boasts[4](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-4" \o "Ps 6:8) over my enemies,[5](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-5" \o "S Nu 10:35; Ps 6:10) for I delight in your deliverance.

2 "There is no one holy[b](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "fn-descriptionAnchor-b" \o "Or \"no Holy One\")[6](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-6" \o "S Ex 15:11; S Lev 11:44; Lev 19:2) like[7](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-7" \o "S Ex 8:10; Isa 40:25; 46:5) the LORD; there is no one besides you; there is no Rock[8](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-8" \o "S Ge 49:24; S Ex 33:22; Dt 32:37; Dt 32:30-31; 2Sa 22:2,32; 23:3; Ps 31:3; 71:3) like our God.

3 "Do not keep talking so proudly or let your mouth speak such arrogance,[9](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-9" \o "Ps 17:10; 31:18; 73:8; 75:4; 94:4; Pr 8:13) for the LORD is a God who knows,[10](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-10" \o "S Jos 22:22) and by him deeds[11](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-11" \o "1Sa 16:7; 1Ki 8:39; 1Ch 28:9; 2Ch 6:30; Pr 15:11; Jer 11:20; 17:10) are weighed.[12](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-12" \o "Pr 16:2; 24:11-12)

4 "The bows of the warriors are broken,[13](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-13" \o "2Sa 1:27; Ps 37:15; 46:9; 76:3) but those who stumbled are armed with strength.[14](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-14" \o "Job 17:9; Isa 40:31; 41:1; 52:1; 57:10)

5 Those who were full hire themselves out for food, but those who were hungry[15](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-15" \o "Lk 1:53) hunger no more. She who was barren[16](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-16" \o "Ps 113:9; Isa 54:1; Jer 15:9) has borne seven children, but she who has had many sons pines away.

6 "The LORD brings death and makes alive;[17](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-17" \o "Dt 32:39) he brings down to the grave[c](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "fn-descriptionAnchor-c" \o "Hebrew \"Sheol\") and raises up.[18](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-18" \o "Isa 26:19; Eze 37:3,12)

7 The LORD sends poverty and wealth;[19](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-19" \o "S Dt 8:18) he humbles and he exalts.[20](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-20" \o "Job 5:11; 40:12; Ps 75:7; Isa 2:12; 13:11; 22:19; Da 4:37)

8 He raises[21](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-21" \o "Ps 113:7-8) the poor[22](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-22" \o "Jas 2:5) from the dust[23](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-23" \o "1Ki 16:2) and lifts the needy[24](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-24" \o "Ps 72:12; 107:41; 145:14; 146:8; S Mt 23:12) from the ash heap; he seats them with princes and has them inherit a throne of honor.[25](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-25" \o "2Sa 7:8; Job 36:7; Isa 22:23; Eze 21:26) "For the foundations[26](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-26" \o "Job 15:7; 38:4; Ps 104:5; Pr 8:29; Isa 40:12; Jer 10:12) of the earth are the LORD's; upon them he has set the world.

9 He will guard the feet[27](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-27" \o "Ps 91:12; 121:3; Pr 3:26) of his saints,[28](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-28" \o "Pr 2:8) but the wicked will be silenced in darkness.[29](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-29" \o "Job 10:22; Isa 5:30; 8:22; 59:9; 60:2; Jer 13:16; Am 5:18,20; Zep 1:14-15; Mt 8:12) "It is not by strength[30](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-30" \o "1Sa 17:47; Ps 33:16-17; Zec 4:6) that one prevails;

10 those who oppose the LORD will be shattered.[31](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-31" \o "S Ex 15:6; Ps 2:9) He will thunder[32](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-32" \o "S Ex 19:16; 1Sa 7:10; 12:17; 2Sa 22:14; Job 37:4,5; 38:1; Ps 18:13; 29:3; Isa 66:6) against them from heaven; the LORD will judge[33](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-33" \o "Ps 96:13; 98:9; Mt 25:31-32) the ends of the earth. "He will give strength[34](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-34" \o "Ps 18:1; 21:1; 59:16) to his king and exalt the horn[35](http://www.biblestudytools.com/1-samuel/passage.aspx?q=1-samuel+2:1-11" \l "cr-descriptionAnchor-35" \o "S Dt 33:17; Ps 89:24; S Lk 1:69) of his anointed."

Mary’s Song

46 And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord[1](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-1)

47and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,[2](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-2)

48 for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant.[3](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-3) From now on all generations will call me blessed,[4](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-4)

49 for the Mighty One has done great things[5](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-5) for me-- holy is his name.[6](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-6)

50 His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation.[7](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-7)

51 He has performed mighty deeds with his arm;[8](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-8) he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts.[9](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-9)

52 He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble.[10](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-10)

53 He has filled the hungry with good things[11](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-11) but has sent the rich away empty.

54 He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful[12](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-12)

55 to Abraham and his descendants[13](http://www.biblestudytools.com/luke/passage.aspx?q=luke+1:46-55#cr-descriptionAnchor-13) forever, even as he said to our fathers."