



God Answers  
Hannah

October 18, 2020  
1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20; 2:1-10

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



**Pray:** Light a candle. Open your devotion with prayer.

God of justice, you love exalting the humble and showing mercy to sinners. Give us that same heart for the oppressed, that we might work for the betterment of all and the coming of your kingdom on earth, in Jesus' name. Amen.



**Read:** Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

*In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the Lord."*

(1 Samuel 1:20)



**Reflect:** Reflect on the scripture summary.

Hannah was barren—a terrible state of unworthiness in her time. But her plea to God was answered. God gave her a child worthy of growing up in God's house. Her song of deliverance offered a word of hope to the hopeless.



**Connect:** Connect in conversation with others in your household.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

Tell of a time you experienced or initiated a broken promise. How did it affect the relationship? Was the relationship ultimately mended? If so, how, and how long did it take?

Who are exploited or overlooked in your community? What could you do to make their lives better?

For the littles: What's awesome about babies? You were a baby once!



**Bless:** Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God bless the important people in your life. Amen.



**Do:** By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Do some research on infertility—not the medical aspect, but the social/emotional toil it takes on a family. Learn how to be supportive. Learn what to say and what not to say to encourage those struggling with infertility.



**Go Deeper:** Visit [clergystuff.com/daily-devotions](http://clergystuff.com/daily-devotions).

Monday: *God Calls Samuel*, 1 Samuel 3:1-18

Tuesday: *The Ark of God Captured*, 1 Samuel 4:2-11, 6:2, 11-13

Wednesday: *Samuel Anoints Saul as King*, 1 Samuel 9:27-10:8, 10:17-27

Thursday: *Saul Rejected and David Anointed*, 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Friday: *David Defeats Goliath*, 1 Samuel 17:1-54

Saturday: *David Brings the Ark to Jerusalem*, 2 Samuel 6:1-23