

1 Samuel 1:1-28

Pray

Sermon headings:

Hannah's story

What does Hannah's story teach us?

- 1. The sovereignty of God*
- 2. Helper of the helpless*
- 3. Our response*

Read 1 Samuel 1:1-28

- 1) In what different ways might someone respond if they find themselves in a helpless situation?
- 2) What is the presenting issue in Hannah's story?
- 3) In what ways is Hannah's emotional condition described? What specific phrases are used?
- 4) Who has caused her to be in this state?
- 5) How does Hannah respond to her situation?
- 6) Where else in the Bible do we read of people doing likewise?

- 7) What does Hannah do after she has prayed and why is this remarkable?
- 8) How does God respond to Hannah's prayer?
- 9) What do we learn about God from Hannah's story (and from other stories like it in the Bible)?
- 10) How is our story as Christians like Hannah's?
- 11) How can Hannah's story encourage us?
- 12) How do you think God wants you to respond to the things you've been thinking about in this study?

Take time to share prayer requests and to pray about the things you've discussed.