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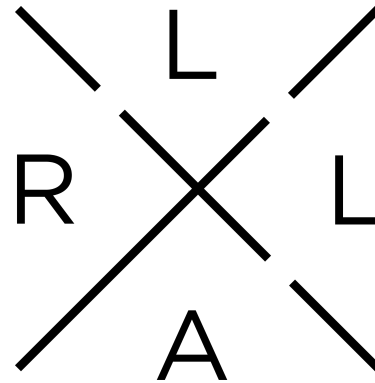
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1 Samuel 1:21-28

²¹ 21 When her husband Elkanah went up with all his family to offer the annual sacrifice to the Lord and to fulfill his vow, ²² Hannah did not go. She said to her husband, "After the boy is weaned, I will take him and present him before the Lord, and he will live there always."

²³ "Do what seems best to you," her husband Elkanah told her. "Stay here until you have weaned him; only may the Lord make good his[d] word." So the woman stayed at home and nursed her son until she had weaned him.

²⁴ After he was weaned, she took the boy with her, young as he was, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour and a skin of wine, and brought him to the house of the Lord at Shiloh. ²⁵ When the bull had been sacrificed, they brought the boy to Eli, ²⁶ and she said to him, "Pardon me, my lord. As surely as you live, I am the woman who stood here beside you praying to the Lord. ²⁷ I prayed for this child, and the Lord has granted me what I asked of him. ²⁸ So now I give him to the Lord. For his whole life he will be given over to the Lord." And he worshiped the Lord there.



Questions for Discussion

1. When you meet someone and need to make small talk, what's your go-to question and why?
2. Are you the kind of person who lets go easily or do you tend to hold onto things? Have you always been that way?
3. When you hear Hannah's story, what stands out most to you?
4. When you reflect on your life, how would you answer the question, "What would be the hardest thing for you to lose?" How do you think you might be able to use that thing to bring God glory instead of yourself?
5. What "next step" will you take this week toward letting go of something in your life? Who is someone who could keep you accountable toward taking that step?

As you close your time together, have each person share a word that represents a step that God is asking them to take this week and lift those words up to God during a time of prayer.