

Summer Series 2021

1 Samuel 1:1–21; 2:11

Surprised in Helplessness

Beginnings, Endings, and Poems

An introduction to Hannah and her family (1:1–3)

The family at Shiloh (1:4–19a)

The problem introduced (1:4–8) - A woman under stress.

The sources of her distress:

- Social context
- God
- Her rival
- Her husband

Hannah on her own: A proposed solution (1:9–11)

Threat and prospect (12–19a)

Return to Ramah (1:19b–20)

The family at Shiloh again (1:21–2:10)

The problem (1:21–23a)

Hannah on her own (1:23b–24)

Hannah and Eli (1:25–27a)

Worship and return to Ramah (1:27b–2:1a, 10)

What's going on here?

The helper of the helpless

Responding to this God