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Bible Study

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"Improving Your Personal Prayer Life" Part 2

I. Spotlight on Prayer

Please answer the questions below regarding the prayer of Hannah.

1. According to the verse below, what did Hannah prioritize doing and going? 1 Samuel 1:9

"Once after a sacrificial meal at Shiloh, Hannah got up and went to pray. Eli the priest was sitting at his customary place beside the entrance of the Tabernacle." (NLT)

- A. She prioritized _____.
- B. She prioritized _____.
- **2.** According to the verse below, what two emotions does Hannah experience as she prays?

1 Samuel 1:10 *"Hannah was so sad that she cried and prayed to the Lord."* (NCV)

- A. She experiences_____.
- B. She experiences ______.
- 3. According to the verse below, what does Hannah ask God for and what promise does she make to God?
 1 Samuel 1:11
 "She made a promise, saying, "Lord All-Powerful, see how sad I am. Remember me and don't forget me. If you will give me a son, I will give him back to you all his life, and no one will ever cut his hair with a razor" (NCV)
- A. She asked God for a ______.
- B. She promised to give him back to _____.

4. According to the verses below what did Eli think about Hannah and why did he make that assumption?

1 Samuel 1:12-13

"While Hannah kept praying, Eli watched her mouth. 13) She was praying in her heart so her lips moved, but her voice was not heard. Eli thought she was drunk." (NCV)

- A. Eli thought Hannah was_____.
- B. Because no words came from her_____.
- 5. According to the verse below, what did God do for Hannah and what did Hannah do for God?

1 Samuel 1:20

"So Hannah became pregnant, and in time she gave birth to a son. She named him Samuel, saying, "His name is Samuel because I asked the Lord for him." (NCV)

- A. God gave Hannah what she _____.
- B. Hannah named the boy _____.

II. Highlights from Prayer

Listed below are 5 ways believers should pray taken from 1 Samuel chapter 1.

1. Believers should seek to pray _____.

Verse 11

"And she vowed a vow, and said, O Lord of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine **handmaid**, and remember me, and not forget thine **handmaid**, but wilt give unto thine **handmaid** a man child, then I will give him unto the Lord all the days of his life, and there shall no razor come upon his head." (KJV)

2. Believers should seek to pray _____.

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- 4. Believers should seek to pray ______.
 Verse 13
 "Now Hannah, she spake in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard: therefore Eli thought she had been drunken." (KJV)
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III. Delight from Prayer

Please answer the questions below honestly as it relates to prayer.

1. What are you most pleased with as it relates to your prayer life?

- 2. What has been the most positive thing you have seen come out of prayer?
- 3. What has been the most powerful thing you've seen God do for you through prayer?

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