

Exalting Jesus in 1 Samuel

A King After God's Own Heart

Hannah's Progeny

1 Samuel 1:18-28

Part 3

I. Hannah's Plight. 1:1-8

II. Hannah's Prayer. vv.9-18

III. Hannah's Purpose. (*She is a microcosm of the bigger picture*)

A sign of things that are.

Cf. Psa.43:5; Jer.2:13

"The Lord closed Hannah's womb to remind Israel that he had also caused the people to be spiritually barren because of their idolatry and unbelief."

Richard Philipps 1 Samuel, Reformed Expository Commentary

A sign of things yet to come.

Cf. Judges 13:1-5; Lu.1:7,13; 1:31-38

"Hannah shares in a fellowship of barrenness. And it is frequently in this fellowship that we see new chapters in Yahweh's history with his people begin they begin with nothing. God's tendency is to make our total inability His starting point. Our hopelessness and our helplessness are no barrier to His work. Indeed, our utter incapacity is often the prop he delights to use for his next act. This matter goes beyond the particular situations of biblical barren women. We are facing one of the principles of Yahweh's modus operandi. When His people are without strength, without resources, without hope, without human gimmicks then He loves to stretch forth His hand from heaven." Dale Davis, 1 Samuel Looking on the Heart, p.16

IV. Hannah's Progeny. 1:18-28

Yahweh remembers Hannah. vv.18-23

Hannah remembers Yahweh. vv.24-28

Cf. Ecc.5:4,5