



Handout for week of 12/24/18 Luke 2: 41-52 & 1 Sam 1: 20-22, 24-28  
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1 Sam. 1 22And it came to pass, when the time was come about, that Hannah conceived, and bore a son; and she called his name Samuel: 'because I have asked him of HaShem.' 21 And the man Elkanah, and all his house, went up to offer unto HaShem the yearly sacrifice, and his vow. 22 But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband: 'Until the child be weaned, when I will bring him, that he may appear before HaShem, and there abide forever.'

24And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bullocks, and one ephah of meal, and a bottle of wine, and brought him unto the house of HaShem in Shiloh; and the child was young. 25 And when the bullock was slain, the child was

brought to Eli. 26 And she said: 'Oh, my lord, as thy soul liveth, my lord, I am the woman that stood by thee here, praying unto HaShem. 27 For this child I prayed; and HaShem hath granted me my petition which I asked of Him; 28 therefore I also have lent him to HaShem; as long as he liveth he is lent to HaShem.' And he worshipped HaShem there.

#### COMMENTARY:

[SAMUEL](#) – ...Biblical Data: Samuel was the son of Elkanah and Hannah, of Ramathaim-zophim, in the hill-country of Ephraim (I Sam. i. 1). He was born while Eli was judge ...The Call of Samuel. The sons of Eli being sons of Belial, wicked and avaricious, Samuel ministered before Yhwh in their stead, being even as a lad ...How he was called by Yhwh is related as follows: Eli, old and dim of vision, had lain down to sleep, as had Samuel, in the Temple of Yhwh, wherein was the Ark. Then Yhwh called "Samuel..."

SAMUEL, BOOKS OF – ...viii.-xv.; and (3) Saul and David, xvi.-xxxii. In detail the contents are as follows:(1) Eli and Samuel: Samuel's Younger Days and the Story of Eli: Birth of Samuel and his ...Samuel formed a single book, as did the two books of Kings. In the Septuagint Samuel and Kings were treated as one continuous and complete history of Israel and Judah, and the work was divided into four books under ...Daniel Bomberg of Venice in the sixteenth century; and it has since reappeared in every Hebrew printed edition though the individual books retained the captions they had in the Hebrew manuscripts, viz., "I Samuel..."

HANNAH – ...One of the two wives of El-kanah and mother of the prophet Samuel. The first chapter of I Samuel and the first half of the second are almost entirely devoted to her.Hannah was considered as a ...end of Haman's sons; and there turn of Israel from Babylon to Jerusalem. Hannah is likewise counted among the seven prophetesses in Meg. 14a.It is further said that the silent prayer of Hannah ought to be taken as an example by everyone (Ber. 31a). Hannah, it is also said, was the first who called God by the name "Zebaoth" (ib. 31b). She was remembered by God on New-Year's Day (R. H. 11a), and for this.