



Pod Bible Reflection Questions for the week of 10/16/16

1 Samuel 1:9-11,19-20;2:1-10

Follow Up on Last Week's Response

1. What god in your life can you identify that you are serving (e.g. time use, thought life, how you spend your money, conversation)? How can you replace it with worship of the True God?
2. How will you respond to this passage in your relationship with God (Up)? In your relationship with those in the church (In)? Or, in your relationship with those outside the church (Out)?

Read the Passage(s): 1 Samuel 1:9-11,19-20;2:1-10

Introduction

1. Describe a time in your life when God answered your heartfelt prayer.
2. What are some circumstances that can cause us to pray passionately?

What Does it Say? (Context? Who? What? Where? How? Why? When?)

1. Describe Hannah's background and situation? How is she viewed in society? (1:1-8)
2. Where is Hannah and what does she pray for? (1:9-11)
3. What vow does she make to God? (1:11)
4. What does Eli the priest think about Hannah? Why? (1:12-14)
5. How does God answer Hannah's prayer? (1:19-20)
6. In response to God's blessing, how does Hannah pray? (2:1-10)

What Does it Mean?

1. What can help us or hinder us from being authentic with God about our hurts and longings?
2. How does believing that we matter to God and he hears us effect the way we pray?
3. What can motivate us to give God control of the things He has blessed us with?
4. How can we tell our story from God's perspective? Why does that matter?
5. What unique story is God wanting to tell through your life so far?

What Will We Do?

1. What personal hurt or longing can you begin to be authentic with God about in prayer?
2. What blessing of God can you give Him control of this week?
3. How will you respond to this passage in your relationship with God (Up)? In your relationship with those in the church (In)? Or, in your relationship with those outside the church (Out)?

Pray Together about What God is Inviting Us to Do