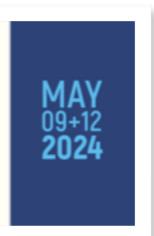
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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

READ: 1 Samuel 1

- What other contrasts in Scripture siblings, spouses, nations, etc. come to mind when you consider these two wives?
- Do you ever compare yourself to others, noticing what they have and you might lack?
- · How does Elkanah show love toward Hannah and bless her?
- What would the significance of a double portion mean for her?
- · Why does Scripture draw attention to this rivalry?
- Eli, the priest, was sitting at the door of the place of worship. What does a doorway symbolize in Scripture?
- In deep anguish, Hannah wept bitterly. Why is this a legitimate expression of worship?
- Initially, Eli thought Hannah was drunk. What might that tell us about Eli's understanding of prayer?
- What does it mean that "the Lord remembered" Hannah?
- · Can you think of other times in the scriptures when the Lord remembers someone?
- What is the significance of Samuel's name?
- What does Hannah commit to doing with Samuel? Why?
- · Should we assume that Hannah's prayers are a good model for our own prayers?
- What does waiting look like for you?
- · What can you control when it comes to waiting?