

Hannah's Song Season 1

The Truth About Hard Times

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Scripture

- **I Samuel 1:6**
...the LORD had closed her womb.
- **I Samuel 2:1-10**
Then Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the LORD; My horn is exalted in the LORD. My mouth speaks boldly against my enemies, because I rejoice in Your salvation.
- **Deuteronomy 4:30**
When you are in distress and all these things have come upon you, in the latter days you will return to the LORD your God and listen to His voice."

Other Scriptures

- Job 1:21
- Daniel 4:25-35
- Job 1:6-12
- Genesis 7:17-23
- I Corinthians 10:11
- Genesis 19:1-29
- Romans 11:36
- Deuteronomy 4:39
- Romans 11:36
- Matthew 10:28
- John 19:10-11
- Isaiah 45:7

Main Points

- LORD in English is YHWH -Yud Hei Vav Hei (Yahweh) in Hebrew.
- The concept of the sovereignty of God is strongly illustrated in the Hebrew Bible.
- The people that we read about in the Hebrew Bible understood that both good and bad come from the Lord.
- We can't let what we don't understand keep us from clinging to what we do understand.
- Revelation from the Hebrew Bible: God is sovereign.
- We have to filter everything that happens in our life, good or bad, through the Lord.
- Sometimes judgement can be God's best gift to us.
- Questions to ask God during the good and bad times:
 - What should I do in response to what is happening?

Discussion Questions

1. What is the story of Hannah's trouble?
2. What can we learn from Hannah's calling God by His personal, covenant name, Yahweh?
3. Who brought distressing things into the life of Hannah, Job, Nebuchadnezzar, and even the Genesis flood into the world?
4. Why is the lens of God versus Satan not really the truth to view this life through? Who is ultimately in charge and in control?
5. Why is the idea of God's judgement consistent with who God is?
6. Why is judgement sometimes God's best gift to us?
7. What should we ask God as we encounter hard things?