



## Introduction

*The first book of Samuel starts at the end of the period of the judges.*



## Questions

1. What did Hannah vow to do?
2. What did Hannah call her son?
3. What did Hannah tell Eli when she brought Samuel to him?



## Summary Points

- **v 1 and 2** Elkanah has two wives, Peninnah, who has children and Hannah who has none
- **v 3 to 8** Each year, when they go to Shiloh (see map) to worship, Elkanah gives Hannah a double portion, but her rival Penninah provokes her because she has no children
- **v 9 to 18** In her distress Hannah prays for a son and promises to give him back to the LORD
- **v 19 to 28** God hears her prayer (see theme) and when her son is weaned, she brings him to Eli the priest and leaves him there to help in the temple service

**Timeline** 1050 BC (see below)



## Theme / Information

### God listens to prayer

*A selection of verses about God listening to prayer.*

Several Psalms tell us that God will hear our prayers:

*Psalm 65 verse 2, 86 verse 7*

Through the prophets Isaiah and Jeremiah, God says he hears prayer:

*Isaiah 65 verse 24*

*Jeremiah 29 verses 12 and 13*

Jesus tells us that requests are only responded to if his words remain in us:

*John 15 verse 7*

God hears the prayer of Cornelius:

*Acts 10 verse 31*

The apostle John tells us that God responds to requests that are according to his will:

*1 John 5 verse 14*



**Israel in the time of the kings**

Map showing some places mentioned in the time of the kings of Israel including Shiloh. A question mark after a place name indicates that the exact location is not certain:



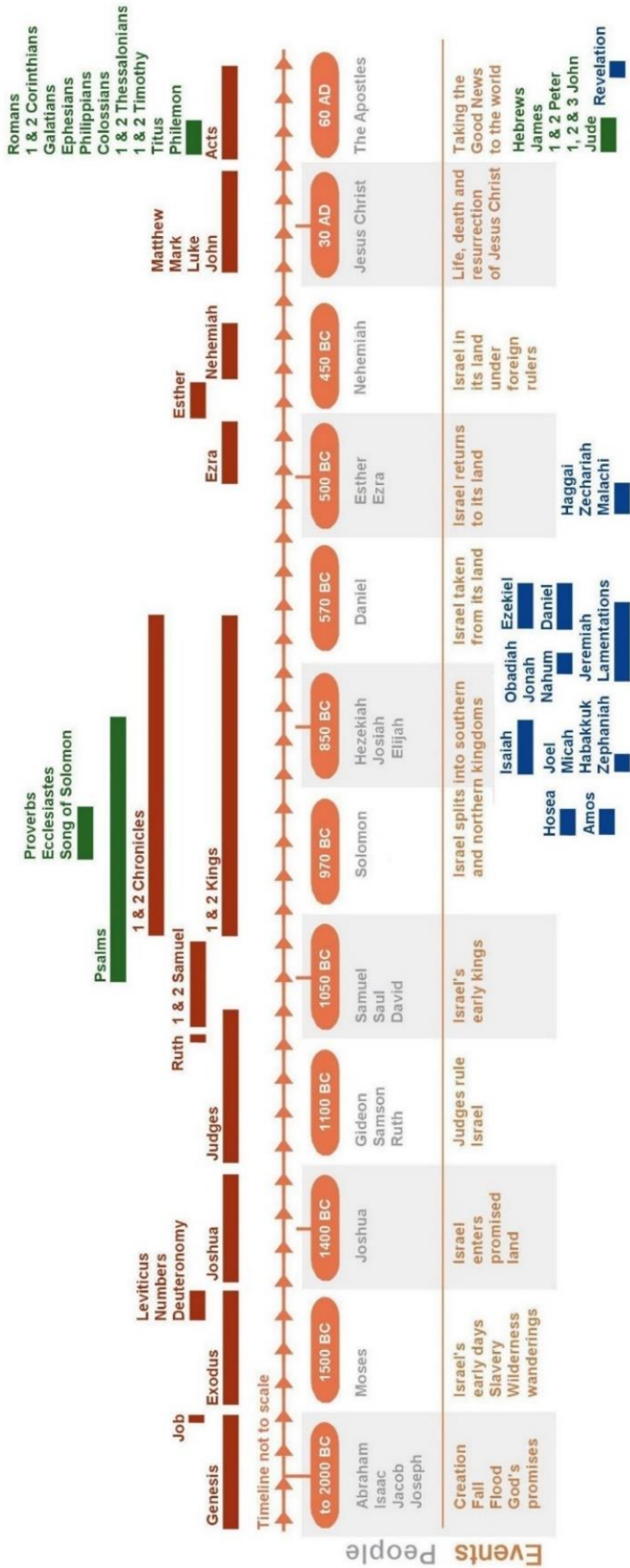
**? Answers to questions**

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 11, Q 2: v 20, Q 3: v 26 to 28



# Bible timeline



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