sermon notes

For This Child I Prayed" May 12, 2024 — Mother's Day

introduction: In Bible days, names were often descriptive of the person. For example, Eve (Genesis 3:20) and Jesus (Luke 1:31; Matthew 1:21). The book of 1 Samuel continues the history of Israel from where the book of Judges ends -- when "everyone did what was right in his own eyes" (Judges 21:25). Just when it seemed that the nation of Israel might self-destruct due to their own wickedness, God intervened in response to the prayer of a woman and gave a special child to her and to the nation. And she named the child to commemorate what God did for her.

1. God ______ hears _____ and _____ answers _____ prayer in remarkable ways (1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20; 2:21).

supporting Scriptures: Psalm 127:3 Genesis 4:25 - Eve Genesis 17:21; Genesis 22:1-7 - Sarah Genesis 25:21-26 - Rebekah Genesis 30:22-24 - Rachel Exodus 2:1-10 - Jochebed Judges 13:3 - Samson's mother Ruth 4:13, 17 - Ruth Luke 1:11-17, 23-25 - Elizabeth Luke 1:26-38; Luke 2:1-7 - the virgin Mary

personal application: Devote yourself to _____praying_____ for your children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren. And pray for other people's children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

2. The very significant ______ influence_____ of a mother in the lives of her children (1 Samuel 1:21-28).

supporting Scriptures: 1 Samuel 2:1-10 John 1:41 John 4:25-26 1 Samuel 3:1, 19-21 1 Samuel 4:1 1 Samuel 7:10 1 Samuel 12:23