



Toddler Resource Packet

Pleasant Valley Church of Christ

Lesson 3 God Loves Me

Scripture

1 Samuel 1:15-20

Themes

God loves me, God takes care of me,
God hears me when I pray, God keep His
promises.

Resources

Play-N-Worship
Read and Share Bible
SundaySchoolZone.com
The Beginner's Bible



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BIBLE STORY for Younger Toddlers

Read the story of Hannah & Samuel from a child-friendly Bible or use the Story Picture and directions from the Play-N-Worship handout.

Pray-Thank God for listening to our prayers and loving us!

BIBLE STORY for Older Toddlers

Read the story of Noah from a child-friendly Bible or use the Story Picture and story from the Read and Share Bible handout.

Talk about the things in the story picture. Say: **God heard Hannah's prayer for a baby.**

Say together: **Thank you, God, for listening to Hannah.**

Say: **God loves us. He always listens when we pray. . Thank you, God, for always loving (child's name).**

Pray-Thank God for listening to our prayers and loving us!

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BIBLE STORY for Younger Toddlers

BIBLE STORY

God
Loves Me

Show your child the Story Picture of Hannah and baby Samuel.

Say: This is Hannah. She loved God very much. She loved babies, too. Hannah wanted a baby more than anything! But for a long time, she didn't have a baby. Hannah was sad.

Ask: What do you think Hannah did?

Say: Let's see what happened.

Say: Hannah asked God for a baby. She prayed and prayed. Show your child how to kneel and bow your head to pray.

Say: God said, "Hannah, you're a good and faithful servant. I love you very much. You will have a baby." And she did-Hannah had a baby and named him Samuel! God loved Hannah and God loves you, too!



Play-N-Worship

God IS with me

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BIBLE STORY for Older Toddlers

Hannah

As told in the *Read and Share® Bible*
based on 1 Samuel 1:1-28; 2:19

One day a woman named Hannah went to God's Holy Tent to pray. She asked God for a baby son. She promised God her son would work for Him all his life. Eli, the priest, saw her praying. He thought there was something wrong. Hannah told him she was very sad and talking to God about her troubles. Eli said, "May the Lord give you what you want." Hannah was not sad anymore.

Hannah's prayer was answered. She had a baby boy and named him Samuel, which means "God heard." When Samuel was about three years old, Hannah took him to Eli, the priest at the Holy Tent. Hannah loved Samuel very much. Every year she made him a new coat.

This reading is found in the *Read and Share® Bible*, pages 182-85.

The Read and Share® Bible is a wonderful resource for your curriculum and may be found at your local Christian bookstore.





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ACTIVITIES

Choose from the activities listed below or use your own fun ideas to reinforce the Bible lesson.

Doll

Play

As children play with dolls, say: **Let's pretend to be Hannah! Let's thank God for baby Samuel. Cuddle the dolls and say with kids: Thank you, God, for this sweet baby Samuel.**

Say: **God loved Hannah very much. He knew a baby would make her heart happy. God loves you just like God loves Hannah!**

Blanket

Play

As kids play with a blanket, say: **A blanket keeps us warm. It makes us feel safe and good. God makes us feel safe and good, too. God hugs you just like a blanket. Wrap the blanket around each child's shoulders and say: God loves you, [child's name]!**

Have your child repeat after you.

Hannah prayed for an itty bitty baby (pretend to rock baby back and forth)

And God loved Hannah so. (cross arms over chest like a hug).

God sent her an itty bitty baby (pretend to rock baby back and forth)

Cause God loved Hannah so! (cross arms over

Action

Song



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Songs

Suggested Songs:

Jesus Loves Me, If You're Happy and You Know It, and He's Got the Whole World in His Hands.

Art

Let your child scribble color the Hannah color sheet, then tape or glue the baby onto the picture. Talk about how God loved Hannah and listened to her prayer. Emphasize that God loves us and will always hear us when we pray.

Other

Talk about how Hannah felt without a baby (sad), and when she had Samuel (happy, excited). Have your child show these feelings using their facial expressions.

Older toddlers can watch The Read and Share Bible-Hannah on YouTube or other videos about

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HANNAH PRAYS FOR A BABY

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