

# \* MORE TO EXPLORE

## GOD'S BIG STORY

CREATION



EVERYTHING  
GOD CREATED  
WAS GOOD.

FALL



ADAM & EVE SINNED,  
AND SIN PASSED TO  
ALL PEOPLE, EVEN  
YOU AND ME.



THOUGH ALL OF  
US ARE SINNERS,  
CHRIST DIED  
FOR US.

RESTORATION



JESUS WILL  
COME AGAIN.

FIND IT IN THE BIBLE:

### 1 SAMUEL

This week's story comes from the book of 1 Samuel. 1 Samuel is called a historical book of the Bible. We don't know who wrote this book.

1 and 2 Samuel introduce us to the first kings of Israel and the line of David, from which Jesus, God's Son, would come.

### READ



Take some time to read chapter one of 1 Samuel and finish reading the rest of Hannah's prayer in chapter two. Hannah humbled herself before God and asked Him for a child. God said yes, and Hannah praised Him. She realized there was no one and nothing like God.

What is something in your life you can give God praise for? Pause and praise Him for that thing.

### OT-NT CONNECTION

Hannah's prayer of praise shares similar themes to Mary's song of praise in the New Testament book of Luke. **Read Luke 1:46-56.**

- What themes do both prayers share?
- What can you learn from Hannah and Mary's songs of praise?

### ARE SINGING AND PRAYING THE ONLY WAYS TO PRAISE GOD?

Singing and praying are great ways to praise God, but they are not the only way to praise Him. There are many ways to bring Him praise. Some other ways include serving Him with gladness, such as cheerfully obeying your parents (Colossians 3:23); and praising Him with musical instruments (Psalm 149:3).

### HOW CAN I REMEMBER TO PRAISE GOD FOR EVERYDAY THINGS?

Christians are called to continually praise God (Hebrews 13:15). Reading God's Word daily is a great way to remember to praise Him for the way He cares for us. Another great way to remember to praise God is to talk to Him often through prayer.

### JOURNAL



Names can have powerful meanings. Samuel's did! Hannah praised God for giving her Samuel.

Ask an adult to help you research what your name means. You can choose to do this activity using your first name or your last name. Write down what you find out in your journal and then thank God for creating you!