

Hannah

ILLUSTRATED SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By Alfred J. Buescher

Scripture—1 Samuel 1:1-2:26.



Grieved because she was childless, Hannah, during the annual sacrifice at Shiloh, prayed for a son, promising to dedicate him to God's service.—1 Samuel 1:1-6

God answered her prayers, using her plight for His own glory and the raising of Samuel to become a leader and priest of the people of Israel.—1 Samuel 1:7-23.

True to her promise, when Samuel was old enough Hannah presented him to God at Shiloh and left him with Eli. Each year she brought him a new coat.—1 Samuel 1:24:11, 18, 19.

Eli raised him in the service of the Lord and Samuel found favor with both God and man.—1 Samuel 2:12-7, 20-26.

MEMORY-VERSE: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."—Proverbs 22:6.

HANNAH'S EXAMPLE

How God Prepares Men

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By R.H. RAMSEY TODAY'S lesson deals with the privileges and responsibilities of motherhood. The example set by Hannah, the mother of Samuel, one of the early heroes of the faith the self-giving mother whose absolute trust in God should inspire us to greater faith.

The traits that made Hannah great are those we all need in these days of a complex society growing juvenile delinquency and the lack of the home's normal influence upon young people.

The story opens with three characters — Elkanah destined to be the father of Samuel and his two wives Hannah and Peninnah the one barren and the other fruitful — and the somewhat miraculous conception of

Samuel by Hannah. Elkanah is described as a godly man who was conscious of his religious obligations for he went yearly to Shiloh "to sacrifice unto the Lord of the hosts." Peninnah was blessed with sons and daughters through her union with Elkanah but Hannah was barren. However it was Hannah whom the husband evidently loved the more with the result that Peninnah did everything she could to torment her rival leading to heartache and grief on Hannah's part.

Desperately unhappy Hannah cried to the Lord "in bitterness of soul," bargaining with Him through her prayers, telling Him that if He would give her a male child, she would dedicate him to the Lord as His servant "all the days of his life."

Samuel to be a leader for the people of Israel.

Eli, priest of the house of God and ever zealous for decorum in that place of worship, mistook Hannah's deeply emotional state for one of drunkenness and promptly chastised her. Hearing her sincere and immediate defense, he recognized his error and bade her go in peace.

With her prayers answered, Hannah had to choose a name for her boy. Though the name "Samuel" does not mean "because I have asked him of the Lord," Hannah gave this as her reason for naming her offspring Samuel. Undoubtedly Hannah remembered that her prayers had been answered by divine intervention and named the child Samuel as a continual memorial of God's answer to her prayers.

Shortly after Samuel's birth it became time for the yearly pilgrimage to Shiloh to offer sacrifices to the Lord. Hannah declined to go saying she and the infant Samuel would remain at home until such time as the child was weaned—about two or three years of age, in those days.

In the intervening months, Hannah must have dreamed of the hour when she would present her child to God in His house in Shiloh, for it had been there that she had poured out her heart to God, beseeching Him to bless her and Elkanah with a boy. She had not forgotten her vow; with Hannah there was no turning back.

When the time came she went fully prepared for the annual offering to the Lord. With great reverence she brought Samuel to the house of the Lord, made her sacrifice, and presented Samuel to God in the presence of Eli, turning him over to the priests of Shiloh.

Hannah's dreams and prayers were fulfilled. What she had so fervently desired had been granted, and she had been faithful to her promise to the Lord. Samuel was consecrated to a life in the service of God, his future path destined by his godly mother and understanding father. So filled with joy was Hannah on this occasion that she burst forth into a song of praise that might be called the "first Magnificat" recorded in the Bible, and not unlike the Magnificat of Mary upon the birth of her greater Son.

The historian gives us an appealing picture of Hannah coming each year to offer a sacrifice to the Lord and to bring a new little coat for her son. Eli, aged priest of the temple

of Shiloh, brought Samuel up in the service of the Lord, and the child continued to grow "in favor both with the Lord and also with men."

Immersion In Bible Big Need

"I think the renewal of the church will come when both clergy and laity become immersed in the Bible, become a people deeply steeped in the Word of God," said William Stringfellow of New York City, speaking to the Lutheran Human Relations Association's annual institute.

"It wasn't a Sunday School or anything like that," volunteered Mr. Stringfellow, when asked to explain what led him to teach his law books and live in East Harlem, on the block designated as the "worst" in the city. "When I was older," he explained, "I just started reading the New Testament seriously, and it said something to me."

The Lutheran Witness Reporter describes him as a "layman, and he's a theologian." His riches to rags story takes him from Harvard's Law School to Harlem's ghetto, and on purpose. He has spent seven years in East Harlem. He is the author of many articles on religious subjects and a recently published book, "My People Is The Enemy."

Daily Bible Readings: Sunday, Nov. 7: Revelation 3; Monday, Nov. 8: Revelation 5; Tuesday, Nov. 9: Revelation 7; Wednesday, Nov. 10: Hosea; Thursday, Nov. 11: Hosea; Friday, Nov. 12: Joel 2; Saturday, Nov. 13: Amos 5.

Pentecostal Convention Dates Set

A body of approximately 90 clergy and licensed ministers affiliated with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada from the Maritime District which includes New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island will meet at Calvary Temple in Charlottetown next week.

The convention opens Tuesday afternoon November 9 in closed sessions when discussion periods will centre around such vital matters as "Ministerial Ethics," "The Community," and "The Reason We Exist as a Movement."

Rev. Tom Johnstone, general superintendent of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada will come from Toronto, Ontario, to address the congregations that will attend the evening services at 8 o'clock which are open to the public.

The Convention itself will last three days climaxing on Thursday evening and Rev. Johnstone will remain over to be guest speaker at the Temple on Sunday, November 14.

Art Is Said Relegated To Outer Fringe

OTTAWA (CP)—Art courses are being relegated to the "outer fringe" of school study programs, an art professor at the University of British Columbia said here.

Prof. Elmer Ozard told 300 Canadian art teachers at the annual meeting of the Canadian Society for Education Through Art.

"The placement of the arts to the outer fringe of our curricula with the emphasis on the so-called basic (but sterile) core is, I believe, a new North American weakness," Prof. Ozard said one of the most distressing implications of the trend to place art courses outside the basic curriculum was the belief of some educationists that "art is merely a diversion from the more serious and challenging studies, or that it is a suitable form of busy work for the non-academic students in our schools."

THIS WEEK AT SDU

New Columnist Takes Over To Record SDU Activities

By WINSTON MacGREGOR "The moving finger writes, and having writ Moves on; not all your piety nor wit Shall lure it back to conceal half a line. Nor all your tears wash out a word of it."

With this simple theme from Edward Fitzgerald I submit myself to you as the columnist for Saint Dunstan's University for this year. In taking the responsibility, I accepted a challenge—a worthy challenge. I can imagine what you are thinking. With Charley McMillan's guiding hand absent, this column will not be of the high quality and interest it used to be. It is my utmost desire to generate quality and interest to give you the best of my ability, and to attain Charley's high standard.

You ask, then, where is Charley? Well, Charley is occupied with other responsibilities and his schedule does not find time to fulfil this task. Charley, your tenure was one of high compliment. I take this opportunity to most heartily congratulate you, on behalf of all, for your fine service to Saint Dunstan's in writing his column. Your work is truly an inspiration.

CRAM TIME Last weekend most of the student body was enveloped in the arduous task of writing mid-term examinations. For those who have reached the higher brackets academically, that is the Honor Society, the mid-term examinations were optional. In any case they have gone by and the tension has eased somewhat, but won't entirely until the results are known. With a quick glance at the calendar it should be noted that there are approximately six weeks of class left before the first term finals.

ISSUES AHEAD Members of the faculty and the student body assembled in the library on Wednesday to hear a panel of faculty members discuss the issues of the present election campaign. The members of the panel were: Dr. Ian MacQuarrie, Rev. Dr. Francis Bolger, Joseph Revell, Rev. Allan MacDonald. The moderator was Joseph O'Connell of the economics department.

The issues as outlined by Dr. Bolger were: 1. the question of national unity, 2. political leadership, 3. majority government, 4. education, and 5. integrity in government. The integrity in government and majority government issues were not considered major issues but used by the parties in this campaign as being important.

Other issues discussed were the future economic development of the country and the party which has the needs of the Maritimes most in mind. Questions from the floor embraced the possibility of difference in political philosophy, national unity, and political sectionalism. The faculty members are to be thanked for presenting a very informative and interesting evening.

The staff of the Red and White, our newspaper, assembled in the publications room in Memorial Hall last week. The

staff complained that their fellow students as well as themselves felt that the Red and White was a "dead" paper. The material covered in the paper was considered not of the quality and quantity that it should be. The main problem was narrowed down to a lack of participation on the part of the students. So, HELP! Make the paper what you want it to be — by participation.

DUSK AND DAWN The football season is drawing to a close today. In scanning the record we need not be disheartened. The team sustained many injuries and many other teams in the Maritimes had their troubles as well. Our team was not as successful as hoped in winning games but its perseverance and team spirit embodied the hopes of Saint Dunstan's. Coach Hilton says that we have a better than even chance of winning this afternoon. Let's all show up for the SDU and help them beat UNB.

Thursday evening saw the first workout for varsity hockey for the coming year. Under the direction of coach Jack Kane, we have nine veterans from last year and a host of new stars. Included in these starts is a goodly representation from St. Dunstan's High School team of last year.

The new science building under construction is rapidly becoming a reality. The building is to house the physics and biology departments while the older building will contain the chemistry department. It is expected to be closed in within the next two weeks and if the present pace is continued, it will be.

THE CHIEF The leader of the Progressive Conservative party, John Diefenbaker, paid a brief visit to SDU on October 28. He was accompanied by his wife, along with the premier of Prince Edward Island and the four Island Progressive Conservative candidates. He was welcomed by the university vice-president, Rev. R.G. Ellsworth, and the president of the SDU Progressive Conservative Club, Phillip MacDonald. Mr. Diefenbaker was escorted to the coffee shop to the music of the bagpipes. Here he was introduced by Phil MacDonald. After making a brief speech he mingled with the large audience which had anxiously awaited his arrival for over an hour.

A personal observation is that the NATIONAL FLAG was conspicuously absent from the platform during Mr. Diefenbaker's visit while one cannot see Mr. Pearson without it. See you after the election!

MAKES SEA TRIALS The leader of the new Polaris nuclear submarine Kamehameha successfully completed its first sea trials Monday. The Kamehameha is equipped to fire the most advanced Polaris missile, the A-3, which has a range of 2,500 nautical miles. The vessel is the U.S. Navy's 54th nuclear powered submarine. It measures 425 feet long, weighs 7,000 tons and carries more than 100 crew.

Charlottetown Bible Chapel 235 Cumberland St. at Longworth Ave. Services: 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Speaker: Ronald Harris "The Old Book... the New Birth... the Precious Blood... the Blessed Hope"

The Salvation Army "Home of Evangelism Since 1868" 55 Villa Avenue Great George Street Capt. Ray Nelson Sunday: Directory Class—9:30 a.m.; Sunday School—10 a.m.; Holiness Meeting—11 a.m.; Salvation Meeting—7 p.m.; Tuesday, 8 p.m.—Home League (Public meeting for ladies); Thursday, 8 p.m.—Prayer Meeting A WELCOME AWAITS YOU AT THE ARMY"

BIRCHWOOD FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND (Birchwood St. near Longworth Ave.) Minister: Rev. W. R. Underhay, B.A. 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship 7:00 P.M.—Evening Worship VISITORS WARMLY WELCOME.

CALVARY TEMPLE PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF CANADA Upper Prince Street Rev. C. K. Benn, Pastor 9:15 a.m.—Radio Broadcast, Summerside Station 9:45 a.m.—Sunday School, MISSIONARY DAY 11:00 a.m.—COMMUNION SERVICE Special Singing 7:30 p.m.—MISSIONARY SERVICE, Special Singing Subject: "WHY SIT WE HERE UNTIL WE DIE" (General Superintendent of Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada) SPECIAL SERVICES, Tuesday thru Friday, November 9th to 14th at 8 p.m. HEAR REV. T. JOHNSTONE, TORONTO, ONT.

Central Christian Church 219 Kent Street 10:00 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages. 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship and the Lord's Supper Sermon: "CHRIST'S WARNING TO PARENTS" Anthem: Sanctus (Schubert) Evening:— 7:00 p.m.— Sermon: "NOTHING BUT GAIN" Girls' Quartet Minister: Mr. W. O. Weale Organist: Mrs. Helen MacRae, A.R.C.M.

First Baptist Church Corner of Prince and Fitzroy Streets Rev. Malcolm F. Harlow, B.A., S.D., Minister Mrs. V. L. Digswell, Organist and Choir Director 9:45 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages 11:00 a.m.—"MEET A SAINT" Anthem: "Sweetest of Memories" 7:00 p.m.—"WHAT IS MEANT BY THE SACREDNESS OF HUMAN LIFE?" Male Octet: Selected Anthem: "Living For Jesus" Wednesday—7:30 Prayer Meeting A WARM WELCOME AWAITS YOU.

The Kirk of St. James Minister: The Rev. Malcolm A. McCaug, B.A., B.D. Director of Music: Christopher Gledhill, M.A., B. Mus., ARCCO SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE Sermon: "REMEMBERING WE LIVE" Anthem: "Let Us Now Praise Famous Men"—Williams Sunday School—9:45 Churchtime Nursery—11:00 Children's Corner during sermon. You Are Invited To Worship With Us

St. Paul's Anglican Church Established 1769 by Royal Foundation The Rev. F. Louis Elias, L.S.T., Rector Organist and Choir Director: George A. Thompson, F.R.C.O., (CHM) A.R.C.M. THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 8:30 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION 9:45 a.m.—SUNDAY SCHOOL—Junior, Senior and Bible Classes 11:00 a.m.—SUNDAY SCHOOL—Crib Nursery, Beginners, and Primary Classes 11:00 a.m.—REMEMBRANCE-DAY SERVICE (Celebration of Holy Communion) (Presentation of Wreath in memory and honour of those who died in both World Wars) CELEBRANT: The Rev'd C. R. Ryley (Veteran of World War I) assisted by the Rector. 7:00 p.m.—EVENING PRAYER AND SERMON Subject: "FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM, THE POWER AND THE GLORY" (a) HAS GOS LOST CONTROL OF HIS KINGDOM HERE ON EARTH? Church attendance every Sunday is your privilege. You are cordially invited to attend our Services.

SPRING PARK UNITED CHURCH Kirkwood Drive Minister: Rev. Clayton C. Lewis Organist and Choir Director: Mrs. J. B. Herdman, L.R.A.M. CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:45 a.m.—Junior, Intermediate and Senior (9-18) years 11:00 a.m.—Nursery, Kindergarten, Primary (up to 8 years) 11:00 a.m.—"PEACE FOR A SEASON" Sr. Choir: O Thee Deep, Deep, Love of Jesus" (Williams) "You are Welcome to Worship with us."

St. Peter's Cathedral Rockford Square ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA Ven. Archdeacon J. R. Davies, M.A., Rector Rev. Canon E. A. Malone, M.A., D.D., Honorary Assistant Priest Miss Suzanne Brenton, Lic-Mus., Organist Mrs. B. W. Patterson, Choir Director Nov. 7—Sunday in Octave of All Saints Day (Trinity XXX) Sunday near Remembrance Day 8:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist. 8:45 a.m.—Mattins 9:45 a.m.—Sunday School (11 a.m. Infants) 11:00 a.m.—Choral Eucharist and Sermon. 7:00 p.m.—Evensong & Sermon Visitors are cordially welcome at all services

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH Charlottetown, P.E.I. Ministers: Rev. John G. E. Ball, B.A. Rev. Gerald G. Wyrwas, B.A., B.D. Organist and Director of Choirs: Mr. J. B. Herdman 9:45 a.m.—Junior, Intermediate and Senior (9-18 years) 11:00 a.m.—Primary, Kindergarten, Nursery and Crib Room 11:00 a.m.—REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE "MEMORY HOLD THE DOOR" (Rev. J. G. E. Ball) Anthem: "A Hymn of Freedom"—Eric Thimas 7:00 p.m.—"THE VINE" (Rev. J. G. E. Ball) Anthem: Bless Are The Pure in Heart"

PARK ROYAL UNITED CHURCH 13 Christie Drive, Parkdale Rev. J. H. Tye, B.A., B.D., Minister Mr. Leslie Hiscott—Organist and Director of Choirs 9:45 a.m.—Junior, Intermediate and Senior Church School 11:00 a.m.—Nursery and Kindergarten Classes 11:00 a.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP Sermon: "TWO MINUTE THOUGHTS" Anthem: "Ye Servants of God"—Lani Smith 11:15 a.m.—Primary Church School 7:00 p.m.—EVENING WORSHIP Sermon: "DYNAMIC RELIGIONS" Anthem: "God of Our Father"—Dykes (Men's Choir) YOU ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP WITH US

Zion Presbyterian Church Corner Prince and Grafton Streets The Rev. Donald A. Campbell, B.A., Minister Miss Roberta Shaw, Deaconess Mrs. Harvey MacKinnon, L.Mus., B.Mus., Organist and Choir Director 9:45 a.m.—The Church School. Classes for all ages. 10:00 a.m.—Bible Class 11:00 a.m.—Nursery School 11:00 a.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE Sermon: THE HIGH USES OF MEMORY The Rev'd Donald A. Campbell, B.A. Solo: There is No Death—Mr. Frank Wood 7:00 p.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP Sermon: THE REV'D CLARE MCGILL Missionary of Formosa Solo: Mariene Matheson Installation of PYTS Officers MISSIONARY RALLY FOLLOWING THE SERVICE A CORDIAL WELCOME TO ALL



BIG BOOK

The atlas is quite an armful. Chip had a time lugging it down off the shelf, but he wanted, once again, to look at some of the fascinating pictures.

He's a small boy for such a big book. Maybe he doesn't understand all of it. But it whets his curiosity, and the curiosity of a small boy is truly insatiable.

Even as Chip glances at the pictures, questions are racing through his mind. And to whom will he address these questions? To you!

When youngsters ask questions, it is up to us, supposedly "grownup" and therefore wiser, to try to give them the right answers. In this day of sometimes dubious and changing values, that isn't always easy. We must first make sure that we have the true basic answers ourselves. There is no surer way of doing this than by arming ourselves with the faith and wisdom found in the Holy Scriptures and in our churches.

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Table with 7 columns: Day, Bible Book, Time. Sunday Deuteronomy 4:1-8; Monday Deuteronomy 4:9-14; Tuesday Deuteronomy 32:1-7; Wednesday Luke 11:5-13; Thursday Corinthians 2:12-16; Friday James 1:5-8; Saturday John 1:1-24

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