



**A MOTHER'S**

1 Samuel 1:1-28

**FAITH  
JOURNEY**



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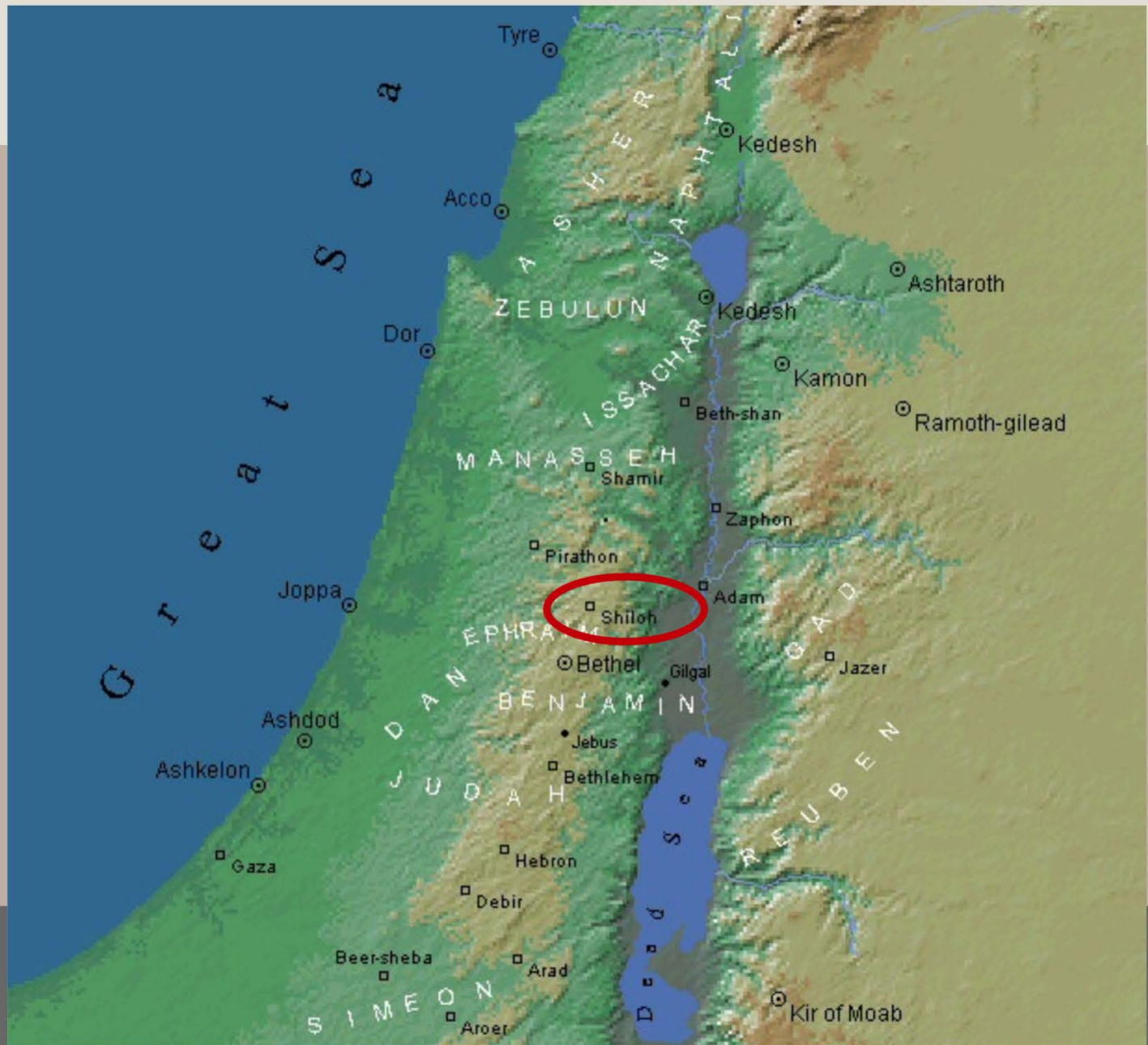
- 1 Samuel starts after the period of Judges, probably the mid-eleventh century B.C.
- Judges 21:25 *“In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes”* (NASB)
- In Israel’s dark hours, Hannah’s son, Samuel led a revival as a judge, priest and prophet

# Shiloh Place of Tabernacle

Joshua 18:1



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# 1 SAMUEL 1:4

- Portions of the animals for sacrifice can be consumed in the sanctuary area
- Meat was apportioned to wife in proportion to the number of children she had produced

# Why was having children important?



Children  
help in the  
business/field



Children  
can inherit  
your land

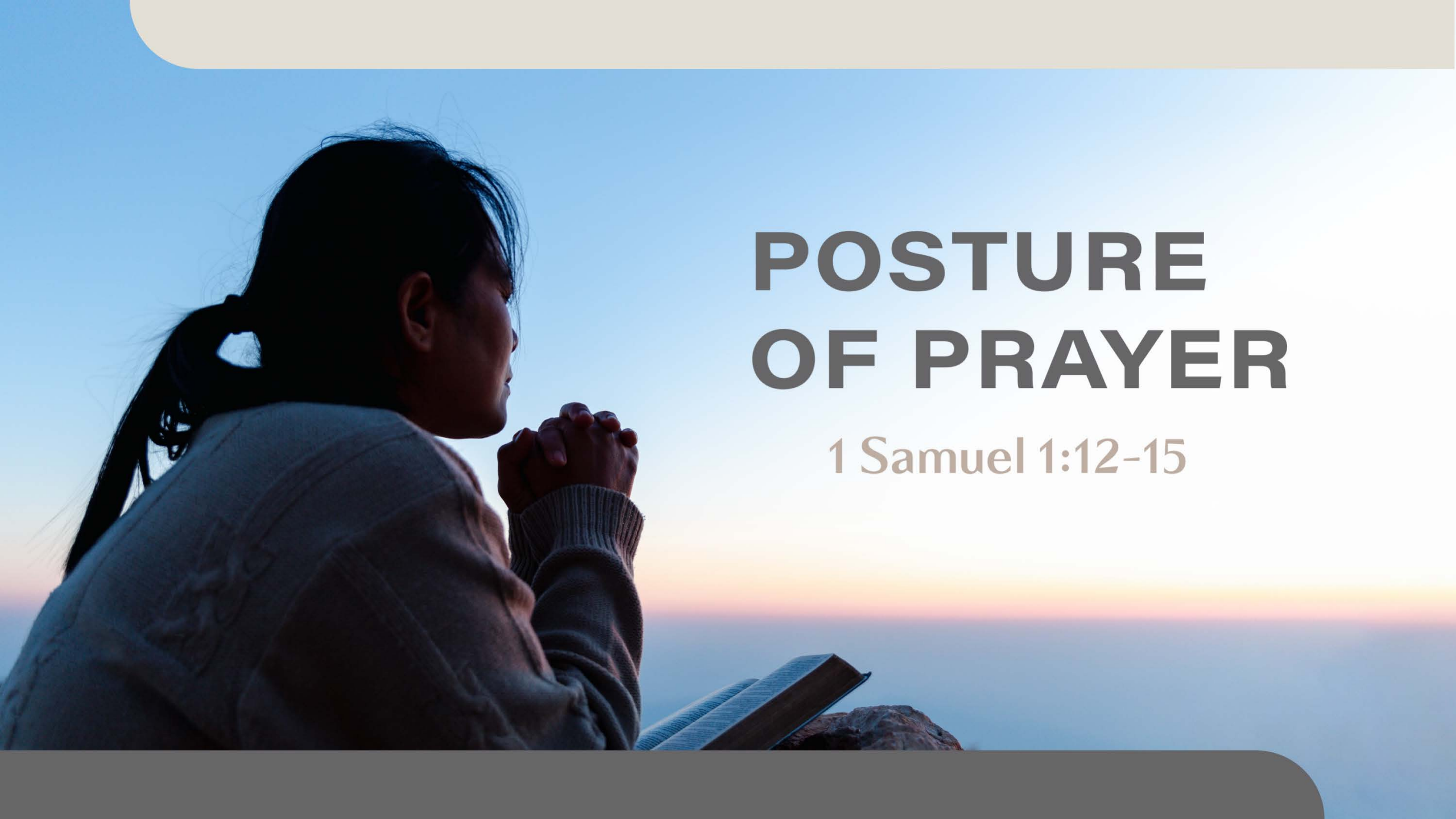


Children  
provide for you  
when you are old



# 1 SAMUEL 1:11

- Nazarite vow found in Numbers 6:1–8
- Nazarite is a volunteer to help the priests and levites in the temple duties



# POSTURE OF PRAYER

1 Samuel 1:12-15





- **v12**  
*she continued praying*  
**before** the Lord (NASB)
- **v15**  
*I have poured out my soul*  
**before** the Lord (NASB)
- פְּנֵה  
face, turn towards

# Hannah's posture of prayer moved

from seeking  
God's hands

to seeking  
God's face

from what  
God can give

to who God is  
as a person



*Seek the LORD and His strength;  
seek His face continually.*

**1 Chronicles 16:11**

**LOVE GOD  
PASSIONATELY**

*Pursue Him by Hiding  
His Word in Your Heart*



# EYES OF FAITH

1 Samuel 1:17-18



- Hannah believed by faith in the spiritual realm before the physical reality
- Because Hannah had the right focus



**Who is the focus of our faith?**





“

*All my life I have always wanted  
to have a child **for me.***

*Now I want a child **for you.***

—Timothy Keller



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# HANDS OF OBEDIENCE

1 Samuel 1:19-28





- A male child could be given over to the Lord for a period of years and redeemed later (*Leviticus 27:1–8*)
- Elkanah, as husband had the right to nullify Hannah's vow (*Numbers 30:10–15*)
- Samuel's name combines the concept of "asking from" God and being "given over" to God




## 1 Samuel 2:5

<sup>5</sup> Those who were full hire themselves out for food, but those who were hungry are hungry no more. She who was barren has borne **seven** children, but she who has had many sons pines away.

## 1 Samuel 2:21

<sup>21</sup> And the Lord was gracious to Hannah; she gave birth to **three sons and two daughters**. Meanwhile, the boy Samuel grew up in the presence of the Lord.





*as she continued praying  
before the Lord*

**1 Samuel 1:12**

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# OUR FAITH JOURNEY



**POSTURE OF  
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