

YOURS, MINE, AND OURS
How I Met Your Mother Series Part 1
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“I asked him for this child, and he gave me what I asked for.”
1 Samuel 1:27

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_____ **that affect generations.**

“¹There was a man named Elkanah, from the tribe of Ephraim, who lived in the town of Ramah in the hill country of Ephraim. He was the son of Jeroham and grandson of Elihu, and belonged to the family of Tohu, a part of the clan of Zuph. ²Elkanah had two wives, Hannah and Peninnah. Peninnah had children, but Hannah did not. ³Every year Elkanah went from Ramah to worship and offer sacrifices to the Lord Almighty at Shiloh, where Hophni and Phinehas, the two sons of Eli, were priests of the Lord. ⁴Each time Elkanah offered his sacrifice, he would give one share of the meat to Peninnah and one share to each of her children. ⁵And even though he loved Hannah very much he would give her only one share, because the Lord had kept her from having children. ⁶Peninnah, her rival, would torment and humiliate her, because the Lord had kept her childless. ⁷This went on year after year; whenever they went to the house of the Lord, Peninnah would upset Hannah so much that she would cry and refuse to eat anything.”
1 Samuel 1:1-7

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“⁸Her husband Elkanah would ask her, ‘Hannah, why are you crying? Why won’t you eat? Why are you always so sad? Don’t I mean more to you than ten sons?’ ⁹One time, after they had finished their meal in the house of the Lord at Shiloh, Hannah got up. She was deeply distressed, and she cried bitterly as she prayed to the Lord. Meanwhile, Eli the priest was sitting in his place by the door. ¹¹Hannah made a solemn promise: ‘Lord Almighty, look at me, your servant! See my trouble and remember me! Don’t forget me! If you give me a son, I promise that I will dedicate him to you for his whole life and that he will never have his hair cut.’ ¹²Hannah continued to pray to the Lord for a long time...”
1 Samuel 1: 8-12

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“¹⁹The next morning Elkanah and his family got up early, and after worshipping the Lord, they went back home to Ramah. Elkanah had intercourse with his wife Hannah, and the Lord answered her prayer. ²⁰So it was that she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. She named him Samuel, and explained, ‘I asked the Lord for him.’” 1 Samuel 1:19-20

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“²⁴After she had weaned him, she took him to Shiloh, taking along a three-year-old bull, a bushel of flour, and a leather bag full of wine. She took Samuel, young as he was, to the house of the Lord at Shiloh. ²⁵After they had killed the bull, they took the child to Eli. ²⁶Hannah said to him, ‘Excuse me, sir. Do you remember me? I am the woman you saw standing here, praying to the Lord. ²⁷I asked him for this child, and he gave me what I asked for. ²⁸So I am dedicating him to the Lord. As long as he lives, he will belong to the Lord.’ Then they worshiped the Lord there.” 1 Samuel 1:24-28

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“Angels & Demons”

