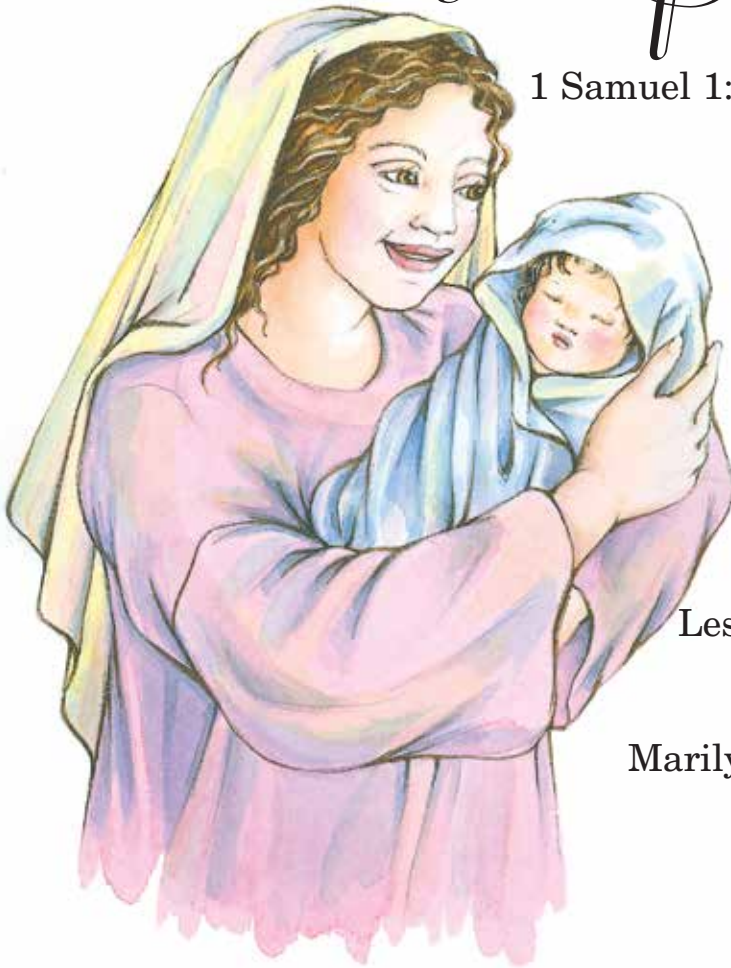


A Mother Who Prayed

1 Samuel 1:1–28 for children

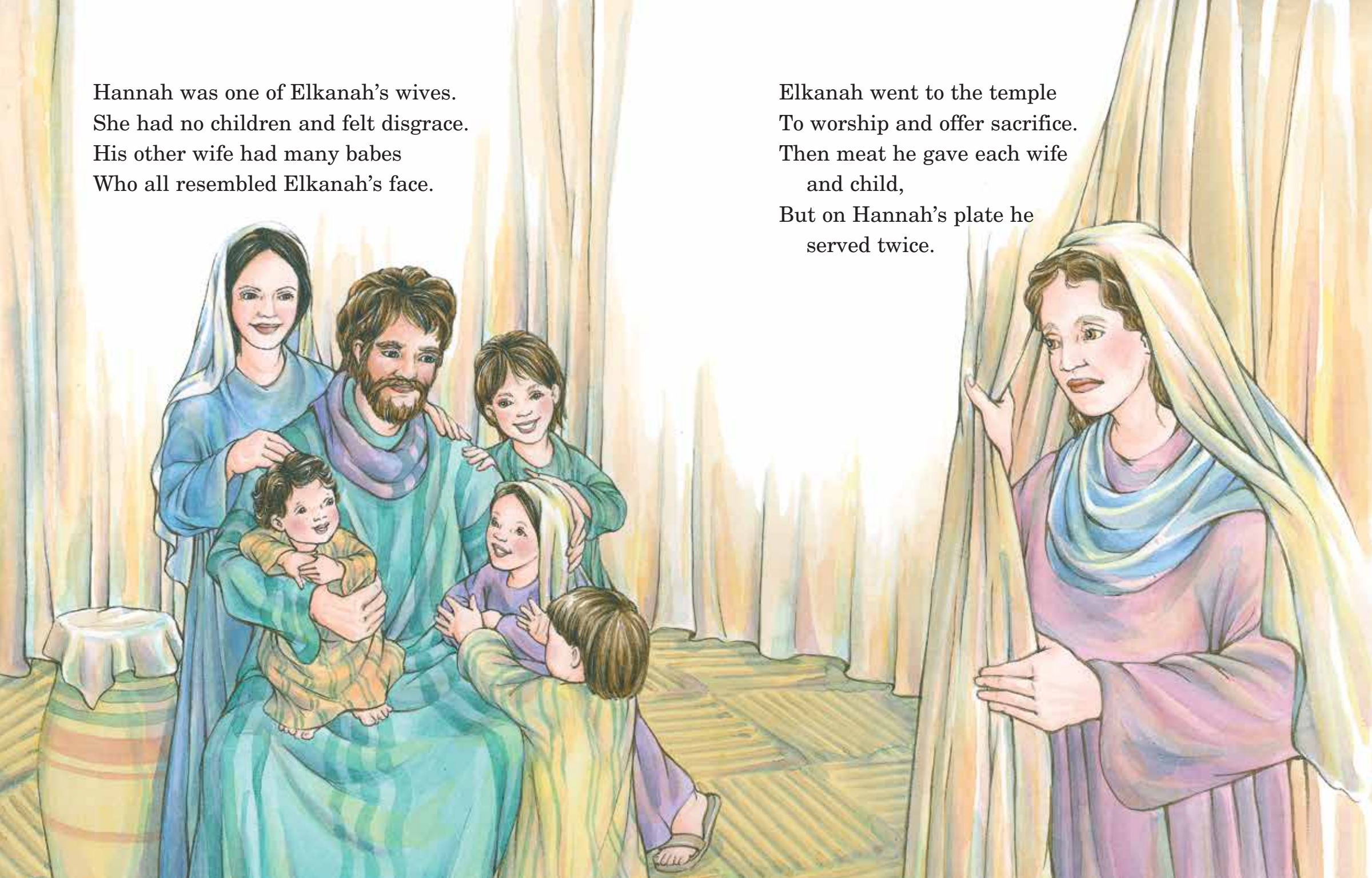


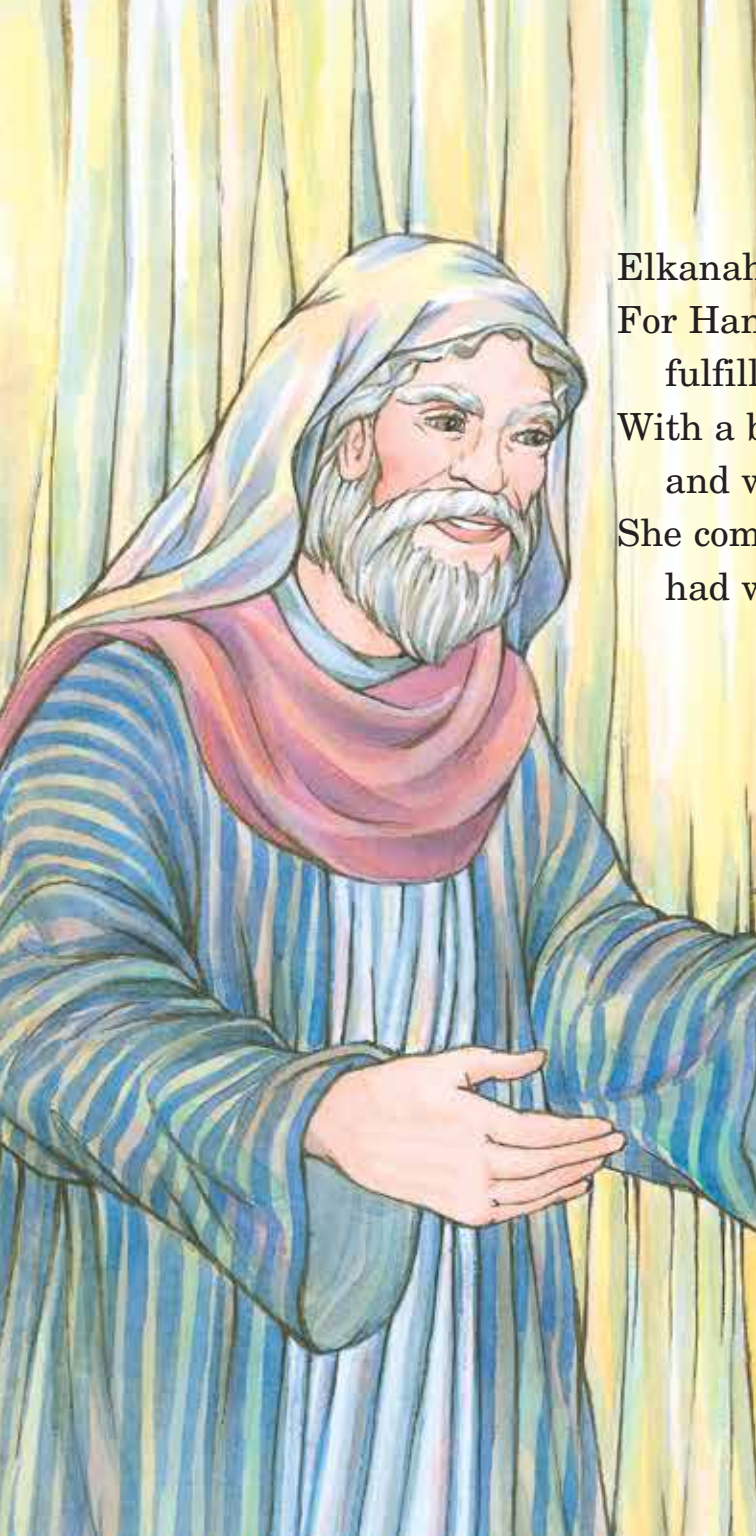
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Hannah was one of Elkanah's wives.
She had no children and felt disgrace.
His other wife had many babes
Who all resembled Elkanah's face.

Elkanah went to the temple
To worship and offer sacrifice.
Then meat he gave each wife
and child,
But on Hannah's plate he
served twice.





Elkanah agreed with his wife,
For Hannah's vow had to be
fulfilled.

With a bull, some flour,
and wine,
She completed what her God
had willed.

She took her son to the temple
When Samuel was just a young boy.
To Eli she said, "I'm the one
You saw praying to God for this joy.

"I prayed for this child,"
said Hannah.
And great thankfulness
glowed on her face.
"Now I give him back
to my God.
He will worship and learn
in this place."

