

## **Let Your Kingdom Come — Part 1— Does God Care? (1 Samuel 1:1-2:11)**

Intro: in a world of chaos — can God provide for his people?

Judges 2 1:25

1. A nation in trouble; a family in trouble (1 Sam 1:1-4)

insignificant and barren

2. The sovereign God is in control (1:5)

- A stark reminder — God had kept her child-less
- Our presumptuous ways of talking
- Infertility highlights human powerlessness, and the power of God

3. Trust is how to respond to a sovereign God (1:11)

- fatalism, resentment or trust?
- 1 Peter 5:7 Cast all your cares on the Lord because he cares for you
- to the not-yet-certain: taste and see that the Lord is good by trusting him
- we have all the more reason to trust God and cast our cares on him

4. The Lord “remembers” his people (1:19-20)

not that he ever forgot — remembering = acting decisively for

5. Thankful acknowledgment of the Lord (1:24-25)

6. Hannah and us?

- Learn from her example
- An unusual event — a child born for a purpose, to usher in a King
- A foretaste of the ultimate provision of God to meet our needs
- Samuel points us forward to Jesus — in him we see how God meets his people’s needs and rescues us from chaos