KEY CHARACTERS

ELKANAH

(1 Samuel 1:8 NLT) "Why are you crying, Hannah?" Elkanah would ask. "Why aren't you eating? Why be downhearted just because you have no children? You have me—isn't that better than having ten sons?"

HANNAH

(1 Samuel 1:11 NLT) And she made this vow: "O Lord of Heaven's Armies, if you will look upon my sorrow and answer my prayer and give me a son, then I WILL GIVE HIM BACK TO YOU. He will be yours for his entire lifetime, and as a sign that he has been dedicated to the Lord, his hair will never be cut. "

SAUL

(1 Samuel 15:11-13 NLT) I am sorry that I ever made Saul king, for he has not been loyal to me and has refused to obey my command." Samuel was so deeply moved when he heard this that he cried out to the Lord all night. Early the next morning Samuel went to find Saul. Someone told him, "Saul went to the town of Carmel to set up a monument to himself; then he went on to Gilgal." When Samuel finally found him, Saul greeted him cheerfully. "May the Lord bless you," he said. "I have carried out the Lord's command!"

(1 Samuel 13:14 NLT) Samuel to Saul "But now your kingdom must end, for the Lord has sought out A MAN AFTER HIS OWN HEART (DAVID). The Lord has already appointed him to be the leader of his people, because you have not kept the Lord's

DAVID

(Psalm 25:11 NLT) For the sake of your name, O Lord, forgive my iniquity, though it is great.

(Proverbs 28:13 NLT) People who conceal their sins WILL NOT PROSPER, but IF they confess and turn from them, they will receive mercy.