A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: February 2, 2022 Intro & 1 Samuel 1:1-20

- 1. Who was probably wrote the book of 1 Samuel?
 - a. Peter
 - b. Paul
 - c. The book does not name an author.
 - d. Ancient Jewish tradition attributed it to Samuel, although 1 and 2 Samuel were originally one single book and Samuel died before 2 Samuel, making it difficult for him to have written it.
 - e. Tradition suggests that Samuel (1 and 2) is the compiled work of the prophets, Samuel, Gad, and Nathan.
- 2. What kind of book is 1 Samuel?
 - a. Epistle
 - b. Law
 - c. Prophetic
 - d. Historical
- 3. What do we learn in 1 Samuel 1:1-8?
 - a. Elkanah had two wives...wait, what?
 - b. Elkanah seemed to love Hannah in a special way. Although she had no children, he gave her a double portion at the time of sacrifice.
 - c. Peninnah, Elkanah's other wife, used Hannah's closed womb against her to "provoke" her.
 - d. Elkanah was not worried about whether Hannah bore children, but Hannah was.
- 4. What happened with Hannah at the time of sacrifice, in 1 Samuel 1:9-11?
 - a. In her deep anguish Hannah prayed to the Lord, weeping bitterly.
 - b. She prayed that God would not forget her, but would give her a son.
 - c. Hannah promises to give this son, should God give him to her, to the Lord for all the days of his life.
 - d. She committed him to a Nazirite vow, never cutting his hair.
- 5. How did Eli, the priest, respond to her, according to 1 Samuel 1:12-14?
 - a. Priests and pastors love fervent prayer. He praised her for her faith.
 - b. He thought she was drunk because she was praying in her heart and her lips were moving, but no voice was coming out.

6.	After Eli realized what was happening, what did he tell Hannah in verse 17?
7.	What happened, according to verses 18-20?