

Crying out

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2 Samuel 22:7

Topic: Crying out

Lesson Objective:

- That the children learn and understand the story of Hannah.

Memory Verse

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Welcome & Worship

Welcome all the kids. Ask them to tell you about their favourite person to talk to.

The Facilitator will let you know when it is time for Kids Worship. Please have the children form a line and make their way to the Kids Worship room to join with the other children for Worship. Please encourage the children to join in and help the other children to engage. We would also ask that you participate as the children will watch you also.

Feel free to speak to the kids worship team or the Facilitator if you have any questions.

Please feel free to be **creative** with this lesson – you may like to think of a **different way** to tell the story (e.g. acting it out or using pictures), or you may know of an **activity** that will demonstrate the lesson clearly for the kids.



Recap on Last week:

Ask if any of the kids can remember what we learnt last week – we talked about Ruth and Naomi.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. Psalm 100:5

Story:

Read the story that is on page 3.

Activity:

MATERIALS:

- printer
- printer paper
- scissors
- glue
- black construction paper or black paint depending on which method you choose



INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Cut out the centre of the hands without cutting the edge of the paper (basically you have to start with a hole in the middle of the paper and then trim out the image). The praying hands image is going to be discarded.
2. You will be left with a piece of white paper that has a praying hands hole in the centre.
3. Trim the white paper to the size of square you want.
4. Put it on the piece of coloured paper.
5. Have the kids write the memory verse out on their page

Lesson Review

- The memory verse for this week is:

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Find a creative way to help the kids to learn this verse.

- Noticeboard focus: Ask the children to tell you what they learnt about today then add the memory verse poster to the noticeboard (the card can be found in the folder in the leaders' resource spot).
- Give each child a memory verse card and tell them that if they can remember this verse next week they will get a sweet. (Memory verse cards are in the Leaders Resources spot) Please remember to do this as they are an important part of us connecting with the children's families.

Wrap up:

- Have a leader or helper close in prayer.
- Make sure kids take their craft at the end of the lesson.
- Please ensure that they are signed out by a parent or guardian before they leave the room.
- Once all the children have left please assist us by making sure the room is tidy and ready for the next group. Please also make sure that the blue sign-in folder is returned to the kids table.

A Woman's Cry to God....

Hannah was a woman who was very loved by God. She wasn't able to have a child, but she really wanted to be a mother. It was very important to her that she have a baby.

What are some things that are very important to you?

Hannah and her husband went to the tabernacle and there Hannah prayed. She prayed to God and told God that if he gave her a baby she would make sure that he served God for all his life.

What is a tabernacle? (Show them the picture and explain it so that they all understand)

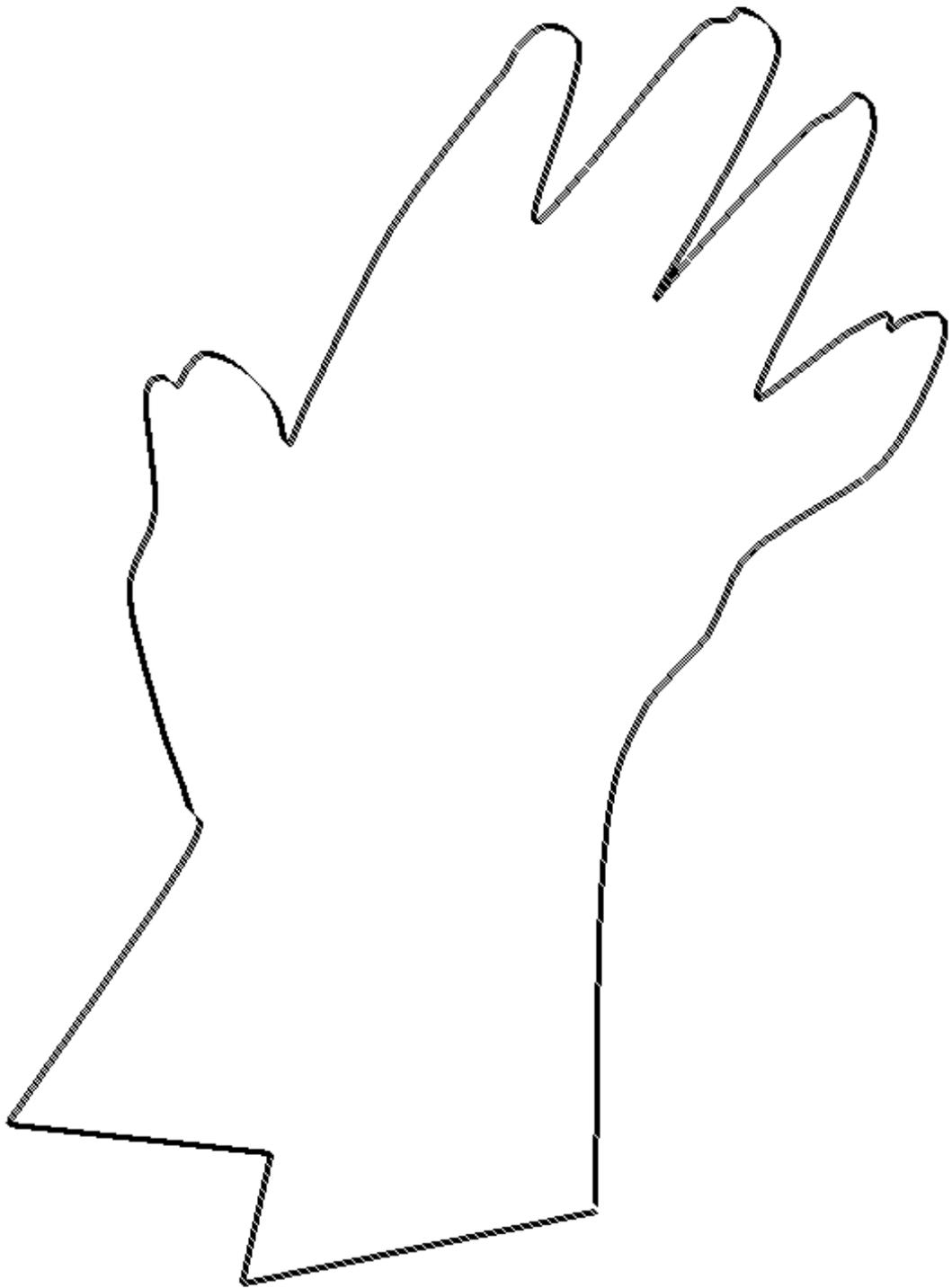
One day Hannah met a man named Eli, he was a priest. He had noticed Hannah and how she prayed to God. He asked her about her prayers. She told him that she was crying out to God because she wanted him to answer my prayers. It was very important to her.

What do you do when things are really important to you? Do you always pray about them? What does it mean to 'Cry out to God?'

Eli told Hannah to Go in Peace and said 'may God give you what you ask for. One day Hannah gave birth to a lovely little boy called Samuel. Hannah and her Husband thanked God so much for their son.

God had heard Hannah's Cry. Did you know that God still hears us when we cry out to him today. He likes to talk to us and hear all about the things that are important to us. How do we cry out? What can we talk to God about?







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Leading Prayer in Kids Bizz

Come Together:

Bring the children together in a circle. Ask if there is anything that they would like to pray for.

Some Questions you may ask to help them think:

- Is there something that you would like to praise God and thank him for this week?
- Are you sick or do you need healing?
- Have you hurt anyone or been hurt by something this week that you need to ask forgiveness for?

Pray:

Pray together— there are two choices here:

They can pray for each other or they can pray for themselves (out loud).

Praying for Each other:

If they would like someone else to pray for them ask the child to sit in the middle and for another child to pray for them (ask for volunteers). If both children are comfortable they can lay hands on as they pray.

Praying for themselves:

If they would like to pray for themselves they can either sit in the middle or stay where they are. Ask them to pray in a loud voice so everyone can hear. We want them to be comfortable so be flexible and sensitive to the Childs needs.

Continue through the group until everyone has been prayed for.

Listen:

Then take time to sit and listen to God and see if there is anything that he would like to say to the group. Ask each child to sit silently and listen to God. Explain that God may speak to them all in different ways, e.g. a picture, an idea a colour etc. Then after a minute ask if there is anything the children felt God was saying.

Write:

If anyone has anything please write it in the *Kids Bizz Prayer Journal* with the date, service time and child's name. Then have a leader thank God for the lesson and any healings, words or pictures.