



## Out of Control Mothers I Samuel 1

### Day One

Read: Matthew 13:1-23  
Discuss: *What stood out to you in the parable of the sower?*  
Learn: Psalm 139:7-11  
Praise: *An attribute of God (e.g. Goodness)*  
Pray: *Missionaries*

### Day Two

Read: Exodus 29:31-46  
Discuss: *Atonement basically means "covering." What is being "covered"? What does this picture?*  
Learn: Psalm 139:7-11  
Praise: *God's provision*  
Pray: *Salvation of others*

### Day Three

Read: Proverbs 29  
Discuss: *Put verses 7-9 in your own words.*  
Learn: Psalm 139:7-11  
Praise: *Salvation*  
Pray: *Pastors and church ministries*

### Day Four

Read: 2 Corinthians 12  
Discuss: *Verses 9-10*  
Learn: Psalm 139:7-11  
Praise:  
Pray: *Government and military*

### Day Five

Read: 2 Corinthians 13  
Discuss: *What are all of the commands in verses 1*  
Learn: Psalm 139:7-11  
Praise: *God's creation*  
Pray: *Friends and family*

### Introduction:

I. Mothers face many \_\_\_\_\_ which prevent them from \_\_\_\_\_ control

A. Hannah's pressures

B. Our pressures

II. Mothers \_\_\_\_\_ control the moment they realize their children \_\_\_\_\_ to God

A. Hannah's dedication of Samuel

B. How can we dedicate our kids?

III. Mothers who \_\_\_\_\_ control are able to parent with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

A. It brings \_\_\_\_\_

B. It brings \_\_\_\_\_

### Conclusions and Applications:

# Acts 2:42 Community Group Homework

For the week of May 9, 2010

## Getting Started

1. Which title better describes you: Control-freak-Carol or "Whatever"-Wilma?

## Into the Bible

2. After Hannah committed Samuel to the Lord, she prayed. Read her prayer in 1 Samuel 2:1-10. How does she describe God? What is He like and what does He do?
3. What does this prayer reveal about the character of Hannah?
4. Mary's song in Luke 1:46-55 bears a strong resemblance to Hannah's prayer. What similarities can you find between the two?
5. In Bible times, every good Jew knew the *shema*, the prayer in Deuteronomy 6:4-9. How does this passage shape the priorities or parenting?

## Application:

6. When parents worship their children, how does that affect their parenting?

7. If you are a parent, what are some of the biggest struggles in relinquishing control" to God?

8. If you are a young parent, what are some priorities for your children? If your children are grown, share what some of your priorities were in raising godly children.

9. What would your goals be if you a limited time with your child?

10. We cannot dedicate our children to the Lord in the same way that Hannah did. However, what are some practical ways we can acknowledge that our children belong to God?

## Prayer Requests:

## For Further Study

Barrenness was not a peculiar problem in Scripture. Take time to study out the lives of women like Sarah, Rachel, Hannah, and Elizabeth. What was unique or special about their children?

