



**"Hannah had [no children]. ... In her deep anguish Hannah prayed to the Lord, weeping bitterly."**

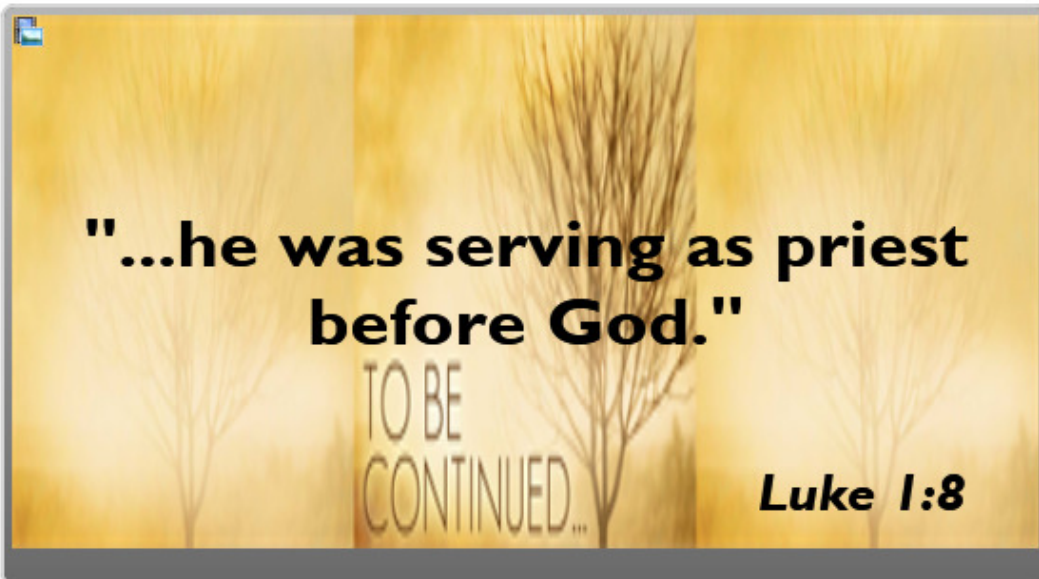
***1 Samuel 1:2, 10***

**"Abraham and Sarah were already very old, and Sarah was past the age of child bearing. "**

***Genesis 18:11***

**Pharaoh, Goliath, Nebuchadnezzar, Caesar  
Egypt, Philistines, Babylon, Rome  
Slavery, War, Exile, Occupation**





**"When Zechariah saw him, he was startled and was gripped with fear. But the angel said to him: 'Do not be afraid, Zechariah; your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to call him John.**

*Luke 1:12-13*

**"Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because he has come to his people and redeemed them. He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David (as he said through his holy prophets of long ago),**

**salvation from our enemies and  
from the hand of all who hate us  
—to show mercy to our ancestors  
and to remember his holy  
covenant, the oath he swore to  
our father Abraham."**

***Luke 1:68-73***

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**"You have said, 'It is futile to serve God. What do we gain by carrying out his requirements and going about like mourners before the Lord Almighty? But now we call the arrogant blessed. Certainly evildoers prosper, and even when they put God to the test, they get away with it.'**

**Then those who feared the Lord talked with each other, and the Lord listened and heard. A scroll of remembrance was written in his presence concerning those who feared the Lord and honored his name."**

***Malachi 3:14-15***

