

CHASING DAVID

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2. Hannah's solution (1 Samuel 1:9-20)

3. Hannah's song (1 Samuel 2:1-10)

She sees a pattern to God's salvation...

- God works through the _____, not just the _____
"He lifts the **poor** from the dust and the **needy** from the **garbage dump**. He sets them among princes, placing them in seats of **honor**."
1 Samuel 2:8a

- God _____ though the world seems _____
"For all the earth is the LORD's, and **he has set the world in order**."
1 Samuel 2:8b

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"He will protect his faithful ones, but the wicked will disappear in darkness. **No one will succeed by strength alone**." 1 Samuel 2:9

"He gives power to his king; he increases the strength of his **anointed one**." 1 Samuel 2:10b

After this... things get worse!

- Eli's sons get more corrupt (1 Sam 2:22)
- Ark is captured, leaders die (1 Sam 4:11)
- Samuel's sons are out of control (1 Samuel 8:1-3)
- Israel asks for king though Samuel warns them (1 Samuel 8:4,5,19)
- Philistines gain upper hand, fear spreads (1 Sam 13:6)
- Saul starts his downward spiral (1 Sam. 13-17)
- Ceaseless war (2 Samuel 14:52)

Finally, the anointed one Hannah anticipated is chosen...

The Lord said to Samuel, "**How long will you mourn** for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and **be on your way**; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king." 1 Samuel 16:1

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