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## Eli (1Samuel 2-3)

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## God's People at Worship

Welcome – Rev. Ron Albinet

### Opening Prayer and Call to Worship

#### #136 – Holy, Holy, Holy

#### Psalm 24 (The King Of Glory)

CCLI Song # 7063703

The King of glory reigns  
Over all the world  
His mighty hand sustains  
The heavens and the earth  
Who may come to Him  
And seek His holy face

He calls the pure in heart  
All whose hands are clean  
And those who love His name  
Above all other things  
Humbly I will bow  
And Jesus' name confess

#### Chorus

He reigns He reigns  
Jesus the Lord  
He reigns He reigns  
Forevermore

Swing wide you ancient gates  
Let the King come in  
His glory never fades  
Our hearts delight in Him  
Ev'ry knee will bow  
Ev'ry tongue confess... *Chorus 2x*

#### Bridge

Who is this King of glory (men)  
The Lord strong and mighty (women)  
He bore the cross of shame (men)  
Sing Hosanna (women)

Who is this King of glory (men)  
The Lord strong and mighty (women)  
He rose up from the grave (men)  
Sing Hosanna (women) (repeat Bridge)

...*Chorus 2x*

CCLI Song # 7063703

#### Better is One Day

CCLI Song # 1097451

How lovely is Your dwelling place  
O Lord almighty  
For my soul longs and even faints for You  
For here my heart is satisfied  
Within Your presence  
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

#### Chorus

Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
Than thousands elsewhere (repeat stanza)  
(Than thousands elsewhere)

One thing I ask and I would seek  
To see Your beauty  
To find You in the place  
Your glory dwells (repeat stanza) ...*Chorus*

My heart and flesh cry out  
For You the living God  
Your Spirit's water to my soul  
I've tasted and I've seen  
Come once again to me  
I will draw near to You  
I will draw near to You to You

Better is one day better is one day  
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere  
Better is one day better is one day  
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere ...*Chorus*

### First Scripture Reading – 1Samuel 2:12-36

Marie Wilson

<sup>12</sup>Now the sons of Eli were worthless men. They did not know the LORD.<sup>13</sup>The custom of the priests with the people was that when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant would come, while the meat was boiling, with a three-pronged fork in his hand, <sup>14</sup>and he would thrust it into the pan or kettle or cauldron or pot. All that the fork brought up the priest would take for himself. This is what they did at Shiloh to all the Israelites who came there. <sup>15</sup>Moreover, before the fat was burned, the priest's servant would come and say to the man who was sacrificing, "Give meat for the priest to roast, for he will not accept boiled meat from you but only raw." <sup>16</sup>And if the man said to him, "Let them burn the fat first, and then take as much as you wish," he would say, "No, you must give it now, and if not, I will take it by force." <sup>17</sup>Thus the sin of the young men was very great in the sight of the LORD, for the men treated the offering of the LORD with contempt.

<sup>18</sup>Samuel was ministering before the LORD, a boy clothed with a linen ephod. <sup>19</sup>And his mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. <sup>20</sup>Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, "May the LORD give you children by this woman for the petition she asked of the LORD." So then they would return to their home. <sup>21</sup>Indeed the LORD visited Hannah, and she conceived and bore three sons and two daughters. And the boy Samuel grew in the presence of the LORD.

<sup>22</sup>Now Eli was very old, and he kept hearing all that his sons were doing to all Israel, and how they lay with the women who were serving at the entrance to the tent of meeting. <sup>23</sup>And he said to them, "Why do you do such things? For I hear of your evil dealings from all these people. <sup>24</sup>No, my sons; it is no good report that I hear the people of the LORD spreading abroad. <sup>25</sup>If someone sins against a man, God will mediate for him, but if someone sins against the LORD, who can intercede for him?"

But they would not listen to the voice of their father, for it was the will of the LORD to put them to death.

<sup>26</sup> Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the LORD and also with man.

<sup>27</sup> And there came a man of God to Eli and said to him, “Thus says the LORD, ‘Did I indeed reveal myself to the house of your father when they were in Egypt subject to the house of Pharaoh?’ <sup>28</sup> Did I choose him out of all the tribes of Israel to be my priest, to go up to my altar, to burn incense, to wear an ephod before me? I gave to the house of your father all my offerings by fire from the people of Israel. <sup>29</sup> Why then do you scorn my sacrifices and my offerings that I commanded for my dwelling, and honor your sons above me by fattening yourselves on the choicest parts of every offering of my people Israel?’ <sup>30</sup> Therefore the LORD, the God of Israel, declares: ‘I promised that your house and the house of your father should go in and out before me forever,’ but now the LORD declares: ‘Far be it from me, for those who honor me I will honor, and those who despise me shall be lightly esteemed. <sup>31</sup> Behold, the days are coming when I will cut off your strength and the strength of your father's house, so that there will not be an old man in your house. <sup>32</sup> Then in distress you will look with envious eye on all the prosperity that shall be bestowed on Israel, and there shall not be an old man in your house forever. <sup>33</sup> The only one of you whom I shall not cut off from my altar shall be spared to weep his eyes out to grieve his heart, and all the descendants<sup>□</sup> of your house shall die by the sword of men. <sup>□</sup><sup>34</sup> And this that shall come upon your two sons, Hophni and Phinehas, shall be the sign to you: both of them shall die on the same day. <sup>35</sup> And I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who shall do according to what is in my heart and in my mind. And I will build him a sure house, and he shall go in and out before my anointed forever. <sup>36</sup> And everyone who is left in your house shall come to implore him for a piece of silver or a loaf of bread and shall say, ‘Please put me in one of the priests' places, that I may eat a morsel of bread.’”

## #129 – Be Still, For the Spirit of the Lord

*children leave*

### Second Scripture Reading – 1Samuel 3:1-21

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD in the presence of Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

<sup>2</sup> At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. <sup>3</sup> The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

<sup>4</sup> Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, “Here I am!” <sup>5</sup> and ran to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down.

<sup>6</sup> And the LORD called again, “Samuel!” and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” <sup>7</sup> Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

<sup>8</sup> And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup> Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

<sup>10</sup> And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant hears.” <sup>11</sup> Then the LORD said to Samuel, “Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. <sup>12</sup> On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. <sup>13</sup> And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God,<sup>□</sup> and he did not restrain them. <sup>14</sup> Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever.”

<sup>15</sup> Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. <sup>16</sup> But Eli called Samuel and said, “Samuel, my son.” And he said, “Here I am.” <sup>17</sup> And Eli said, “What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.” <sup>18</sup> So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, “It is the LORD. Let him do what seems good to him.”

<sup>19</sup> And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. <sup>20</sup> And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD. <sup>21</sup> And the LORD appeared again at Shiloh, for the LORD revealed himself to Samuel at Shiloh by the word of the LORD. And the word of the Lord came to all Israel.

### Sermon - *Eli*

### Celebration of the Lord's Supper

#### *The Lord's Prayer*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

#### *The Bread and the Cup*

### Response in Song – Behold the Lamb

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away  
Slain for us and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross...  
So we share in this Bread of Life  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace  
Around the table of the King

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ  
Torn for you eat and remember  
The wounds that heal the death that brings us life  
Paid the price to make us one  
So we share in this Bread of Life  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of love  
Around the table of the King

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin  
Shed for you drink and remember  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
To receive the life of God  
So we share in this Bread of Life  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of grace  
Around the table of the King

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise  
To respond and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth  
As we share in His suffering  
We proclaim Christ will come again  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven  
Around the table of the King

CCLI Song # 5003372

### Congregational Prayer

The giving of our Tithes and Offerings

### The Heart of Worship

When the music fades, all is stripped away  
And I simply come  
Longing just to bring something that's of worth  
That will bless Your heart

#### *Pre-Chorus and Chorus*

I'll bring You more than a song  
For a song in itself is not what You have required  
You search much deeper within  
Through the way things appear  
You're looking into my heart...

I'm coming back to the heart of worship  
And it's all about You, all about You Jesus  
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it  
When it's all about You, all about You Jesus

King of endless worth, no one could express  
How much You deserve  
Though I'm weak and poor, all I have is Yours  
Ev'ry single breath

#### *Pre-Chorus and Chorus (2x)*

CCLI Song # 2296522

### Benediction



All are invited to join us for refreshments, tea and coffee, and fellowship in the church hall immediately following the service.