Samuel's Birth

1 Samuel 1

A Personal Problem, a Ruthless Rival and a Stammering Spouse v1-8

1 Samuel 1:1-8 ESV

1 There was a certain man of Ramathaim-zophim of the hill country of
Ephraim whose name was Elkanah the son of Jeroham, son of Elihu,
son of Tohu, son of Zuph, an Ephrathite. 2 He had two wives. The
name of one was Hannah, and the name of the other, Peninnah. And
Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.

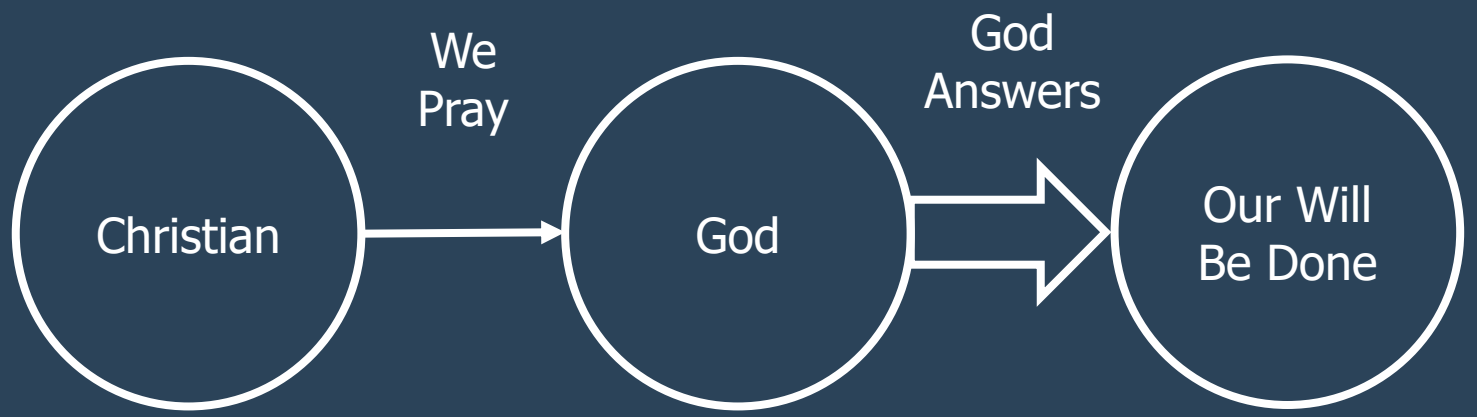
3 Now this man used to go up year by year from his city to worship
and to sacrifice to the LORD of hosts at Shiloh, where the two sons of
Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were priests of the LORD. 4 On the day when
Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to Peninnah his wife and
to all her sons and daughters. 5 But to Hannah he gave a double
portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her
womb. 6 And her rival used to provoke her grievously to irritate her,
because the LORD had closed her womb. 7 So it went on year by year.
As often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to
provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. 8 And
Elkanah, her husband, said to her, “Hannah, why do you weep? And
why do you not eat? And why is your heart sad? Am I not more to
you than ten sons?”

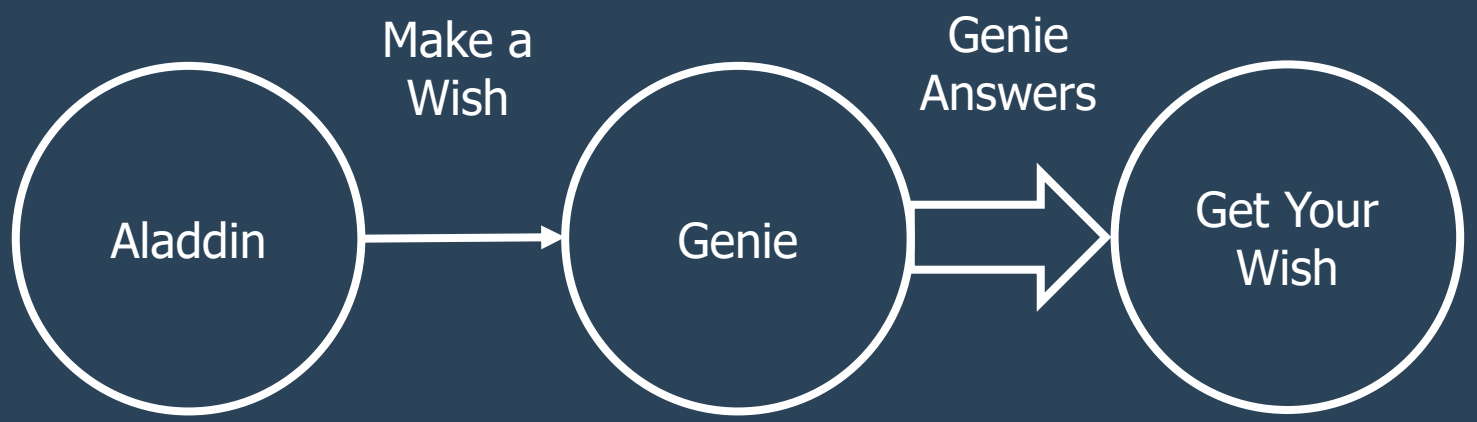
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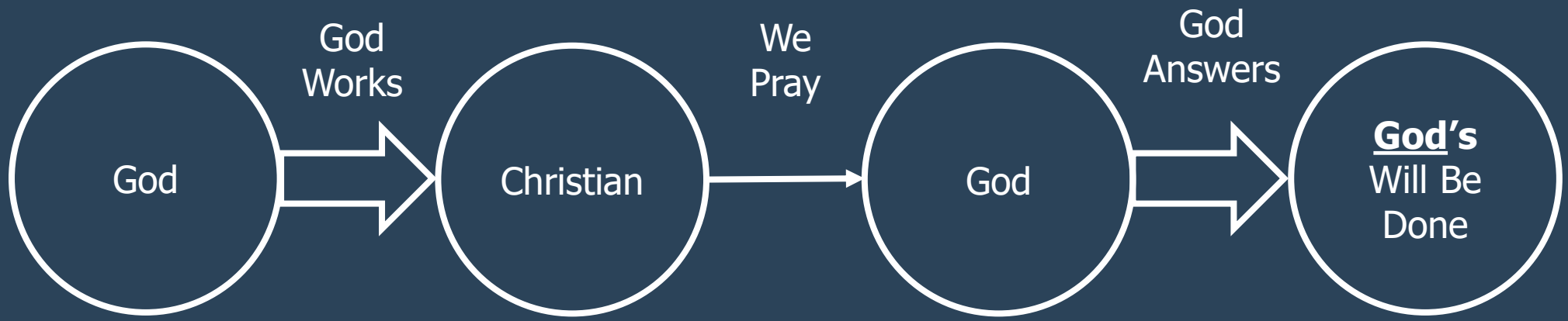
1 Samuel 1:9-18 ESV

9 After they had eaten and drunk in Shiloh, Hannah rose. Now Eli the
priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of
the LORD. 10 She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD and
wept bitterly. 11 And she vowed a vow and said, “O LORD of hosts, if
you will indeed look on the affliction of your servant and remember
me and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a son,
then I will give him to the LORD all the days of his life, and no razor
shall touch his head.”

12 As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her
mouth. 13 Hannah was speaking in her heart; only her lips moved, and
her voice was not heard. Therefore Eli took her to be a drunken
woman. 14 And Eli said to her, “How long will you go on being drunk?
Put your wine away from you.” 15 But Hannah answered, “No, my lord,
I am a woman troubled in spirit. I have drunk neither wine nor strong
drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD. 16 Do not
regard your servant as a worthless woman, for all along I have been
speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation.” 17 Then Eli
answered, “Go in peace, and the God of Israel grant your petition that
you have made to him.” 18 And she said, “Let your servant find favour
in your eyes.” Then the woman went on her way and ate, and her face
was no longer sad.


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1 Samuel 1:19-28 ESV

19 They rose early in the morning and worshipped before the LORD;
then they went back to their house at Ramah. And Elkanah knew
Hannah his wife, and the LORD remembered her. 20 And in due time
Hannah conceived and bore a son, and she called his name Samuel,
for she said, “I have asked for him from the LORD.”

21 The man Elkanah and all his house went up to offer to the LORD the
yearly sacrifice and to pay his vow. 22 But Hannah did not go up, for
she said to her husband, “As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring
him, so that he may appear in the presence of the LORD and dwell
there for ever.” 23 Elkanah her husband said to her, “Do what seems
best to you; wait until you have weaned him; only, may the LORD
establish his word.” So the woman remained and nursed her son until
she weaned him. 24 And when she had weaned him, she took him up
with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a
skin of wine, and she brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh.
And the child was young. 25 Then they slaughtered the bull, and they
brought the child to Eli. 26 And she said, “Oh, my lord! As you live, my
lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence,
praying to the LORD. 27 For this child I prayed, and the LORD has granted
me my petition that I made to him. 28 Therefore I have lent him to
the LORD. As long as he lives, he is lent to the LORD.” And he
worshipped the LORD there.

James 4:2b-3 ESV …You do not have, **<u>because you do not ask</u>**. [3] You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on **<u>your</u>** passions.