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1 Sam. 1:19b-23

Samuel Was Born

19b And, Elkanah had sex with his wife, Hannah. And, Yahweh did not forget Hannah. 20 So, Hannah became pregnant, and, in time, she gave birth to a son. She named him "Samuel." She said, "His name is Samuel because I asked Yahweh for him."

21 Every year, Elkanah went up to Shiloh to offer sacrifices and to keep his vow to God. And, he brought almost his whole family with him. 22 But Hannah did NOT go up with him. She told her husband, "When the boy is old enough to eat solid food, I will take him to Shiloh. Then he will be presented in front of the Always-Present One. And, he will always live there at Shiloh!"

23 Elkanah said to her, "Do whatever you think is best. You may stay home until the boy is old enough to eat solid food. May the Always-Present One only confirm His Word."

So, Hannah stayed at home to nurse her son until he was old enough to eat solid food.