

## Community Group Notes from Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

**“In”**

### **Mothers Day**

Peter spoke from the story of Hannah and Samuel in 1 Samuel 1.

A Mother's Desire – to have children and to care for them

A Mother's Declaration – 'I'll give him back to you his whole life'

- Samuel grew up in the presence of the Lord

A Son's Destiny – a prophet to the nation who would appoint kings.

- the fulfillment of his destiny depended on being released  
by his mother

Mothers (and fathers) live in the tension between responsibility and care for their children on the one hand and the need to release them into adulthood and to God on the other hand.

### GROUP QUESTIONS

1. How will this message affect the way you relate to your parents?
2. How will this message affect the way you parent your children now or in the future?
3. How can the group support each other as parents?
4. Pray for the parents in the group and their children.

**“Out”**

This Sunday I am speaking on healing out of the book of Mark. So this week I thought you could share together your experiences of healing – the good the bad and the ugly. Give a bit of time for this.

Every Sunday we pray for healing but this Sunday lends itself to you bringing friends or family who are sick or have an interest in faith healing. Remember if someone goes to crystals or spiritualists for healing they just might try church! So chat about the people in your world who are sick or interested in healing and pray for one another to have boldness and courage to invite people this Sunday. Don't limit God by who may or may not come just ask for opportunities – to be honest you never quite know what God is up to in someone life.

If you have any stories that you think I might like to hear please email –

[melanie@thecommunitychurch.org.uk](mailto:melanie@thecommunitychurch.org.uk) - no story to small I just love to hear what God is doing.

### **Events Coming Up...**

25th March – **Group Leaders and Coaches Meeting** 7:45pm @ The Charis Centre

31st March – **Equipped: Thorny Issues – Oh God Where are You?** 7:45pm @ The Charis Centre

### **This Sunday...**

Melanie will be continuing our series in the book of Mark – She is looking at the Man on a Mission!!!