



# LIFEGROUPS

Message: *What Every  
Woman Wants*

Scripture: *1 Samuel 1:1-20*

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—[ LET'S START ]—

It has been said that listening is a lost art. Discuss how a lack of listening reaps undesirable consequences.

—[ LET'S TALK ]—

1. Have someone read 1 Samuel 1:1-10. The culture of Hannah's day placed great value on a woman being able to have children who would help provide for the family's economic and social status. How does Elkanah's choice of taking a second wife complicate this situation? If there is a lady in your group, ask one of them what she perceives as an expectation that is placed on her and other women. What are some perceived expectations that are placed on men?
2. Summarize the *It's Not About the Nail* video and explain the point that Pastor Dale was making. If you missed the video or just want to see it again, here is a link to it:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-4EDhdAHrOg>.
3. Pastor Dale pointed out that a primary principle for a person to help change another person's self-image is to practice the ministry of listening. (See Sermon Review on page 2) What aspect of good listening do you do well? What aspect could use some improvement? Name a practical step you could take to improve your listening skill.
4. Hannah was able to sacrifice something that was the center of her life (v. 11-20) – which in turn gave her peace and satisfaction in God. What are some common esteem-building situations that people in our culture struggle with giving over to God?"

