

“EVERY MOTHER’S DREAM” (Great Answered Prayers in the Bible – Week Three)

Introduction: Every good mother desires what Elisabeth had! She was married to a man of God! She was serving with her husband in the ministry! She had a healthy and holy son, John the Baptist! She was a cousin of Mary, the mother of Jesus! (*Romans 15:4 / Luke 1:5-19*)

I. SOMETIMES ANSWERS TO PRAYERS ARE DELAYED!

**Luke 1:13 *Luke 1:7 *Luke 1:18 *Daniel 10:12-14 *Matthew 18:18*

Note: Delays do not mean denial.

II. SOMETIMES GOD DELAYS ANSWERS TO TEST OUR FAITH!

**Luke 1:6-9 *Psalm 27:13-14 *Isaiah 55:8-9*

Note: Even though God had not answered their prayers, they continued faithful.

III. SOMETIMES GOD DELAYS ANSWERING PRAYERS BECAUSE HE HAS SOMETHING BETTER!

**Luke 1:13-17 *Matthew 11:10-11 *I Samuel 1:26-28 *Isaiah 64:4*

Note: They wanted a child. God gave them John the Baptist! Hanna wanted a child and God gave her Samuel.

Conclusion: Keep on circling people, promises, and problems! (*Galatians 6:9*)