

Sermon Outline

It's Still Dark in Here

1 Samuel 2:11-36

Introduction: The dark backdrop into which Samuel was born

I. 2:12-17: Hophni and Phinehas: they did not know the Lord

The custom at Shiloh vs. God's prescribed procedure

Do YOU know the Lord?

II. 2:18-21: Samuel: twilight is near

Grace amid darkness: Hannah receives grace upon grace

Give and it shall be given unto you ...

III. 2:22-25: Eli: a father's strong rebuke

The severity of sinning from privilege (Heb 10:26-27)

To what extent is Eli to blame? (Deuteronomy 21:18-21)

The necessity of church discipline

Blood is thicker than water

Parents, where does your allegiance lie?

The doctrine of reprobation (terrifying)

IV. 2:26-36: The man of God preaches the Word of God

The indictment: misdirected honor (v. 29)

The judgment: death (v. 30-34)

The promise: a faithful priest (v. 35-36)

Conclusion:

Judgment begins in the house of the Lord!

Judgment is accompanied by salvation!