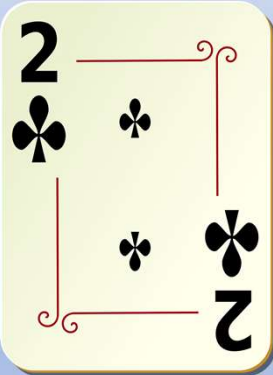



1 Samuel 2:1-11


Put your confidence in the LORD...




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...it's his verdict
that counts (v1-3)



...it's his resources
that matter (v4-8)



...it's his outcome
that lasts (v9-11)

Dig Deeper Questions for 1 Samuel 2:1-11 Hannah's Song...

- 1) In terms of a game that you know (eg card game, computer game, board game) how would you describe your life at the moment?
- 2) What difference does it make to your outlook when you remember that God is the God of v1 mighty rescue, v2 unique holiness, v3 complete knowledge?
- 3) Hannah's song describes several "reversals" that God loves to bring about. See if you can spot them? Which of the verses in the song prefigure the following:
 - David & Goliath (1 Sam 17:45-58)
 - Saul (2 Sam 1:24-27)
 - Jesus' story (Phil 2:5-11)
 - The christian's story (James 4:1-10)
- 4) "It is not by strength that one prevails" (v9b). How are you tempted to solve your crises when God doesn't seem to answer your prayers? How Does Hannah's song both challenge and encourage you? What specific changes can you make and at what point in your week?

For further "reversal stories" look up one of the following 2 Sam 9; Ps 2; Luke 14:7-14; Luke 16:19-31. A prize from Charlie to the person who can find the most reversals in the Samuel narrative.