Sanhedrin 14a - R. Johanan was very anxious to ordain R. Hanina and R. Oshaia, but his hope could not be realised, and it grieved him very much. They said to him: Master, you need not grieve, for we are descendants of the house of Eli. For R. Samuel b. Nahman, quoting R. Jonathan, said: Whence do we learn that none of the house of Eli are destined to be ordained? — From the verse. And shall there be no zeken [old man] in thy house for ever. What does the word ‘zaken’ mean [here]? Shall we say, literally, ‘an old man’, but it is written [immediately after], and all the increase of thy house shall die [young] men! — It must therefore refer to ordination.

Rosh Hashanah 18a - R. Samuel b. Ammi (or, as some say R. Samuel b. Nahmani) said in the name of R. Jonathan: How do we know that a final sentence accompanied by an oath is never rescinded? Because it says, Therefore I have sworn unto the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli’s house shall not be expiated with sacrifice nor offering. Raba said: With sacrifice and offering it cannot be expiated, but it can be expiated with Torah. Abaye said: With sacrifice and offering it cannot be expiated, but it can be expiated with Torah and charitable deeds. Rabbah and Abaye were of the house of Eli. Rabbah who devoted himself to the Torah lived forty years, Abaye who devoted himself both to the Torah and charitable deeds lived sixty years. The Rabbis taught: There was a family in Jerusalem the members of which used to die at the age of eighteen. They came and told Rabban Johanan b. Zaccai. He said to them, Perhaps you are of the family of Eli, to whom it was said, and all the house of Israel yearned after the Lord. These twenty years were made up as follows: Ten years during which Samuel ruled in Hebron, [and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem]. Now of Solomon it is written, And he began to build . . . in the fourth year of his reign. Thus three and twenty years reigned he in Jerusalem, [and] for it is written, And the days that David reigned [in Hebron], [119a] for it is written, And it came to pass, front the day that the ark abode in Kiriath-jearim, that the time was long, for it was twenty years; and all the house of Israel yearned after the Lord. These twenty years [were made up as follows]: Ten years during which Samuel ruled, one year that Samuel and Saul ruled together, two years that Saul reigned, and the seven which David reigned [in Hebron], [119a] for it is written, And the days that David reigned over Israel were forty years: seven years reigned he in Hebron, [and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem]. Now of Solomon it is written, And he began to build . . . in the fourth year of his reign. Thus three and forty years reigned he in Jerusalem.