

Bible Story: God Calls Samuel: I Samuel 3:1-10; 19-21

Big Idea: Step three, listen to God.

Lesson Guide:

1. Dance and sing with your child to these songs.

- Talk to God: [Talk to God Music Video - YouTube](#)
- Trust in You: [Trust In You | Preschool Worship Video - YouTube](#)
- My God Is So Big: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aDCTNhYqEko>



2. Show this video to teach the Bible story.

[Plate It Preschool Week 3 \(vimeo.com\)](#)

3. Review the Bible story like this:

***Supplies: Bible**

- Open the Bible to 1 Samuel 3, and show your family where today's story comes from.
- Last week, we learned about how a woman named Hannah was very sad because she couldn't have a baby. She talked to God and promised that if she had a son, he would serve God his whole life. God answered Hannah's prayer, and Hannah's son became one of God's prophets.
 - **What's a prophet?** A prophet was someone who delivered messages from God to the people.
 - **What was the name of Hannah's baby?** Samuel!
- *As you read the following have your family repeat the Bible quotes and the accompanying motions to engage with the story.*
- Samuel grew up in the temple and served God with Eli the priest.
 - But one night, he heard a voice say, "Samuel!" [*Cup your hands around your mouth and motion for everyone else to follow.*]
 - Samuel thought Eli was calling him so he ran to Eli's room and said, "Here I am. You called me." [*Run really fast in place and have everyone copy you.*]
 - But Eli was not the one who called to Samuel. Eli was sleeping. So Eli said, "I did not call. Go back and lie down." [*Shake your head and point to the front. Have everyone repeat the words and motions.*]
 - Samuel was pretty sure there was no one else in the temple that could be talking to him. And then he heard it again! [*Repeat the above three motions and phrases two more times.*]

- Eli realized that it was God talking to Samuel. So he told him, the next time he heard the voice, to say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." [*Cup your hands around your ears and have everyone else do the same.*]
- Samuel heard God's voice for the first time that night. After that, he always listened to God's voice and became a great prophet of God!

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4. Practice the November Memory Verse like this:

***Bible**

- Look up Ephesians 2:10 in the Bible and read it with your family.
 - Practice the first part of the verse with your family using the motions in this video.
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/lcfi78ntyz8kre1/Nov2021MemVerseMotionsPreK.MOV?dl=0>
 - Play this song: [Lantern Music | God's Handiwork \(Ephesians 2:10\) - YouTube](#), and have your family sing along.
 - Next, play Simon Says, but call it Eli Says instead. Review the story of how Eli was the priest that guided and directed Samuel as a child, but how in today's story Samuel started listening to guidance from someone else... YES, God!!!
 - Throughout the game, call out, "God says" a few times, and when you do direct everyone to say the memory verse and do the motions aloud with you, and then get back to the normal, "Eli Says" game.
5. Pray with your family.