

Samuel Hears God Script

Print one copy for your use during this activity. Help the children act out today's lesson. They can take turns acting out the parts of Samuel, Eli, and the Lord! Assist them in their lines until they get it. Since this happened while Eli and Samuel were in bed, turn out the lights in the room—preschoolers enjoy that!

Samuel and Eli were in bed. *Samuel will lie down on one blanket, Eli on the other. Eli should be asleep.*

Samuel heard the Lord cry out, “Samuel, Samuel!” *Coach the child playing the Lord to repeat the words.*

Samuel jumped up and went to Eli and said, “Here I am. You called me!” *Coach Samuel to go to Eli and repeat his line.*

Eli replied, “I did not call you. Go lie down.” *Coach Eli to reply, and Samuel to return to bed.*

This happened three times! *Repeat with the children.*

But the fourth time, Samuel finally understood that it was the Lord calling him, not Eli!

Samuel heard the call, “Samuel, Samuel!” *Coach the Lord to call for Samuel.*

Samuel stayed in bed and answered the Lord. He said, “Speak Lord. Your servant hears you!” *Coach Samuel to stay in bed and answer correctly.*

The Lord gave Samuel a message for Eli. It was bad news. God would judge the sins of the people of Israel and of Eli's family.