God Calls Samuel



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Samuel was sleeping when someone called him. "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel's eyes popped open.



Samuel jumped out of bed and ran to Eli.

"Did you call me?" asked Samuel.

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"No," said Eli. "Go back to bed my son."

So Samuel went back to bed.



Again someone called, "Samuel, Samuel!"

Samuel jumped out of bed and ran back to Eli.

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"Did you call me?" asked Samuel.

"No," said Eli. "Go back to bed my son."



So Samuel went back to his bed.

A third time someone called, "Samuel, Samuel!"



Samuel jumped out of bed and ran back to Eli.

"Did you call me?" asked Samuel.

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Then Eli knew that God was calling Samuel.

"Go back to bed and lie down again," said Eli.



"But the next time you hear your name,

you must say, 'Yes, Lord, I can hear you.'"



So Samuel went back to bed again.

And someone called, "Samuel, Samuel!"

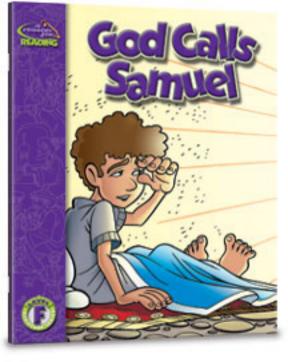


This time Samuel knew it was God.

"Yes Lord," said Samuel, "I can hear you."



Then God talked with Samuel.



Literature Connection

Read aloud about Samuel's talk with God from 1 Samuel 3:1-19.

Conversation Starters

How might Bi have tell when God spake to young Samuel?

Why do you think God chose to speak to Samuel rather than Bi?

In what ways does God speak to us today?



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