



# 3RD - 5TH

9.2  
Samuel was Born  
and Called



## CONNECT TIME

Greet kids by name and play table games as kids arrive. Be sure to welcome any new families. Ask kids:

**Have you ever been called to an important task? Maybe you were called to be the class line leader or maybe you were called to help a friend with her homework. Tell me about it.**



## SPREAD THE WORD

**Start by 9:20/10:45**

Show the drawstring bag to kids and ask for a volunteer. Have the kid draw a slip of paper from the bag and read the 'headline' to the group and elaborate on the news story. Invite kids to pretend to be a news anchor, a podcaster, or a radio DJ.

**Some people, like news anchors or radio DJs, have opportunities to share stories about what is happening in the world. In the Bible, God called prophets to share His words. God would speak to the prophets, and they would tell the people His message. God's words are always true, and His words lead us to life. Today, we'll see how God called a boy named Samuel to be His prophet to Israel.**

**START BY**  
**9:30/10:55**

REVIEW **3** BE, LISTEN, FOLLOW



**LARGE GROUP**

# SMALL GROUP



## BIBLE REVIEW

Guide kids to open their Bibles to 1 Samuel 3. The books 1 and 2 Samuel were originally written as one story. Both books focus on the lives of Samuel, Saul, and David. Choose a volunteer to read aloud 1 Samuel 3:21 or ask the kids to follow along as you read the verse aloud. Then have kids discuss the following questions with a partner first if you have four or more kids:

- Who was calling Samuel, and how did Samuel respond when he heard God's voice?
- What does it mean to say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening"?
- How can we listen to God today?
- Samuel obeyed God even when it was hard. Why is it important to obey God?

**God revealed Himself to Samuel through His Word, and the Bible is how we learn about God and His Son, Jesus Christ. Jesus is God's perfect Son who came to save us from sin and lead us to God forever.**



## DISCUSSION

**When has God answered your prayer? How did He answer you?** Answers will vary. God always answers our prayers, but sometimes His answer may be a “yes” or a “no.” We can trust God, like Hannah did, and come to Him with our frustrations, challenges, heartbreaks, desires, praises, and needs. We should make prayer a daily habit, knowing God sees and hears them. (Option: Read 1 John 5:14)

**How can we respond to God’s call to obey Him?** God calls all people to repent of their sin and trust in Jesus. God also calls us to respond in obedience to His commands. We discover God’s will for our lives by reading the Bible. We can then use that knowledge to act in obedience through faith. (Option: Read 1 Samuel 15:22)

**How can we respond to God answering our prayers for His glory?** Hannah gave Samuel back to the Lord to serve Him, and she praised Him for His grace. We can worship God and praise Him when He answers our prayers. We can use the gifts He gives us to serve Him and point others to Him. God receives the glory when we acknowledge He alone is worthy of our praise. (Option: Read Romans 11:36)



## AMAZING GOD

Form kids into four groups and assign each group a section of letters from the alphabet such as A–F; G–L; M–P, R; S–Z. Distribute paper and pens to each group. Then challenge kids to list a characteristic of God for each letter they have been assigned. For example, kids may write Almighty, Deliverer, Just, Kind, Unchanging, etc.

**Hannah praised God for who He is. God has revealed Himself to us through what He has made, the Bible, and His Son, Jesus. Jesus came to earth to show us what God is like, and when we trust in Him, we are saved from our sin. We can praise God for who He is and how He alone is our salvation.**



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Take prayer requests and allow kids to pray.



Match parent pick-up numbers, with child name tag numbers.  
Build relationships with parents, encourage them to take a picture of the parent recap page to go over on the ride home.