

Text 1 Samuel 3:1-21
Focus God speaks to children
Verse 1 Samuel 3:10 “. . . Speak, for Your
 servant hears.” NKJV

Songs of Praise and Worship

Prayer/Offering

Story 1 God Speaks to Samuel (Bible)

Craft 1 Samuel (coloring)

Snack Time

Story 2 Donald (people)

Craft 2 Jesus and Boy (gluing)

My Bible Verse

Story 3 Samuel is Asleep (acting)

Craft 3 Ice Cream (stickers)

Story 4 God Speaks to Me (poem)

Craft 4 Day and Night (coloring)

God Speaks to Samuel

1 Samuel 3:1-21

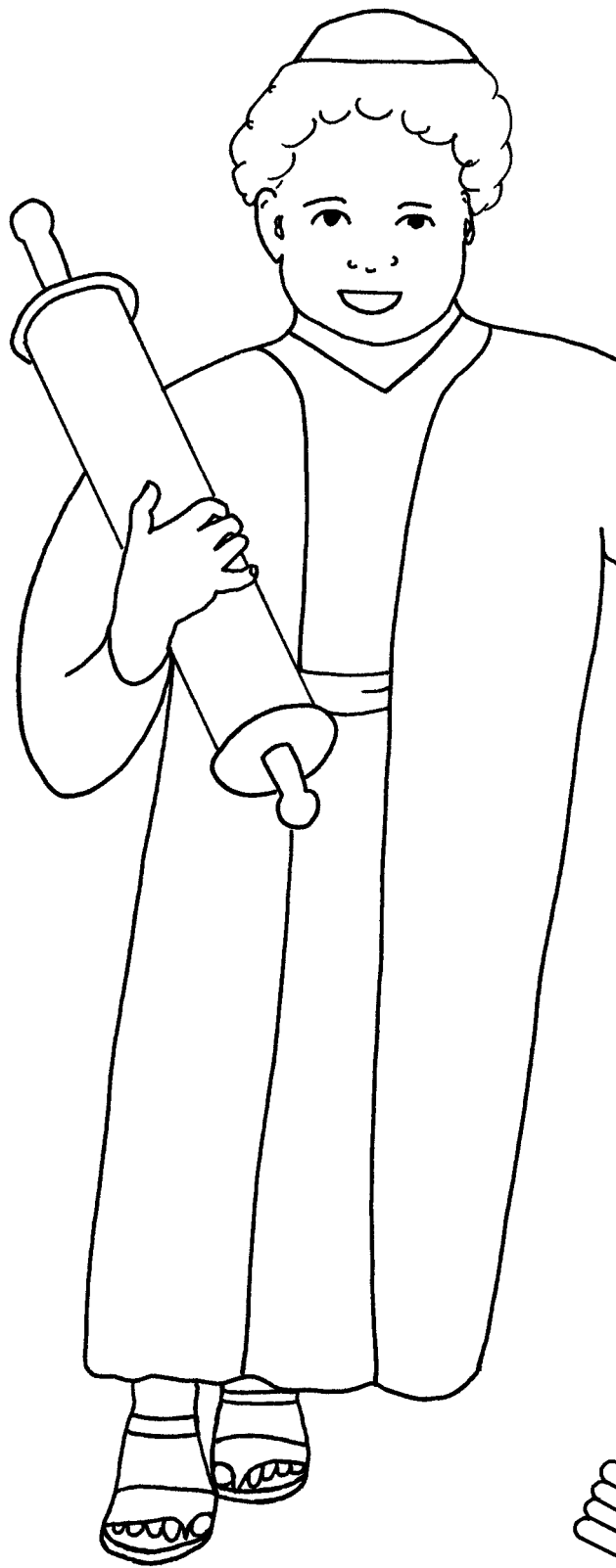
Indoor Scene (used as temple scene), Throne Room Overlay (pillars only), Eli (36), Samuel Standing (114), Samuel Sitting (117), Samuel Asleep (118), Bed for Samuel (228), Bed for Eli (229)

1. **Samuel lived with Eli, the priest, in the tabernacle.** *Display Indoor Scene (used as temple scene), Throne Room Overlay (pillars only), Bed for Samuel, Samuel Asleep, Bed for Eli, Eli.*
 - A. Samuel was only a boy.
 - B. He wanted to learn all about God.

2. **One night, when Samuel was asleep, the Lord called Samuel by name.** *Remove Samuel Asleep - Add Samuel Standing near Eli's Bed.*
 - A. Samuel thought Eli had called to him.
 - B. After this happened three times, Eli knew the Lord was calling to Samuel.
 - C. Eli said, "When the Lord calls you again say, 'Speak Lord, for Your servant hears'."

3. **The Lord called Samuel again.** *Remove Samuel Standing - Add Samuel Sitting (on his own bed).*
 - A. Samuel answered, "Speak Lord, for Your servant hears."
 - B. The Lord told Samuel many things.
 - C. Samuel followed the Lord all of his life.

4. **God will speak to you, too.**
 - A. God speaks to you through the Bible.
 - B. The Holy Spirit speaks to your spirit.



God spoke to Samuel

Donald

Donald had heard about Jesus, since he was little. One day, Donald sat in church and listened to the preacher tell about Jesus. Then, everyone began singing a song. They sang the words that Jesus had said in the Bible, "Take up thy cross and follow Me." Donald knew that Jesus was speaking those very words to *him*. He knew Jesus wanted to save him. Donald went to the front of the church. He told everyone that he accepted Jesus as his Savior.

God will speak to you, too. He will speak to you through the Bible. The Holy Spirit will speak to your spirit.

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God speaks to
children

Samuel is Asleep

Preparation:

You will need two volunteers, one to pretend to be Samuel and the other Eli. You will pretend to be God's voice calling to Samuel. While you tell the story, have your two volunteers act it out.

What to Tell Them:

Today we are pretending that we are Samuel and Eli. They were both asleep. *Have volunteers lay down on the floor.* Suddenly, Samuel heard God calling him.

“Samuel, Samuel.” *Have “Samuel” get up and run over to “Eli.”*

Samuel wakes up and runs over to Eli and wakes up Eli. “Here I am Eli, do you need me.”

Eli said, “No, go back to sleep.”

After this happened three times, Eli knew that God was calling to Samuel. Eli told Samuel, “If God calls you again, answer and say, ‘Speak Lord for Your servant hears’.”

This is just what Samuel did. God told Samuel many things about what was to happen.

Boys and girls, God will speak to you through the Bible. The Holy Spirit will speak to your spirit.



God Speaks to Me

I listen closely as I pray,
God will speak to me today.
In my heart I hear Him say,
That He loves me every day.

Cup hand over an ear.

Point to self.

Hand over heart.

Hug self.



DAY AND NIGHT GOD SPEAKS TO ME



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