

Samuel 1 Chapter 3 - Samuel as a child

- 1 And the child Samuel ministered unto the Lord before Eli. And the word of the Lord was precious in those days; there was no open vision.
- 2 And it came to pass at that time, when Eli was laid down in this place, and his eyes began to wax dim, that he could not see;
- 3 And ere the lamp of God went out in the temple of the Lord where the ark of God was, and Samuel was laid down to sleep;
- 4 That the Lord called Samuel; and he answered, Here am I.
- 5 And he ran unto Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou calledst me. And he said, I called not; lie down again. And he went and laid down.
- 6 And the Lord called yet again, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me and he answered, I called not, my son; lie down again.
- 7 Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, neither was the word of the Lord yet revealed unto him.
- 8 And the Lord called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me. And Eli perceived that the Lord had called the child.
- 9 Therefore Eli said unto Samuel Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou shalt say, Speak Lord; for thy servant heareth. SO Samuel went and lay down in his place.
- 10 And the Lord came, and stood and called as other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speak: for thy servant heareth.