

# God Speaks, Are You Listening?

## Part 2 | Samuel 3

### 1. We Must Be \_\_\_\_\_ What God Wants To Say To Us. (1-8)

Meanwhile, the boy Samuel served the LORD by assisting Eli. Now in those days messages from the LORD were very rare, and visions were quite uncommon. <sup>2</sup> One night Eli, who was almost blind by now, had gone to bed. <sup>3</sup> The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was sleeping in the Tabernacle near the Ark of God. <sup>4</sup> Suddenly the LORD called out, "Samuel!" "Yes?" Samuel replied. "What is it?" <sup>5</sup> He got up and ran to Eli. "Here I am. Did you call me?" "I didn't call you," Eli replied. "Go back to bed." .....

<sup>7</sup> Samuel did not yet know the LORD because he had never had a message from the LORD before.

<sup>8</sup> So the LORD called a third time, and once more Samuel got up and went to Eli. "Here I am. Did you call me?" Then Eli realized it was the LORD who was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup> So he said to Samuel, "Go and lie down again, and if someone calls again, say, 'Speak, LORD, your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went back to bed. <sup>10</sup> And the LORD came and called as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel replied, "Speak, your servant is listening." .....

<sup>18</sup> So Samuel told Eli everything; he didn't hold anything back.

1 Samuel 3:1-10,18

- Samuel had a desire to serve the Lord (1)
- Samuel had a desire to be near the Lord (3)
- Samuel had a desire to listen to the Lord (10)
- Samuel had a desire to obey the Lord (10)
- Samuel had a desire to speak the Lord's Word (18)

### 2. Even In The Midst Of Failure, God Tries To Give Us A \_\_\_\_\_. (9-17)

<sup>11</sup> Then the LORD said to Samuel, "I am about to do a shocking thing in Israel. <sup>12</sup> I am going to carry out all my threats against Eli and his family, from beginning to end. <sup>13</sup> I have warned him that judgment is coming upon his family forever, because his sons are blaspheming God and he hasn't disciplined them.

<sup>14</sup> So I have vowed that the sins of Eli and his sons will never be forgiven by sacrifices or offerings."

<sup>15</sup> Samuel stayed in bed until morning, then got up and opened the doors of the Tabernacle as usual. He was afraid to tell Eli what the LORD had said to him. <sup>16</sup> But Eli called out to him, "Samuel, my son." "Here I am," Samuel replied. <sup>17</sup> "What did the LORD say to you? Tell me everything. And may God strike you and even kill you if you hide anything from me!"

1 Samuel 3:11-17

- Eli's sin affected his spiritual judgment (1:12-14)
- Eli's sin affected his kids (2:12ff)
- Eli's sin will be judged (4:1ff)

### 3. We Must Never Allow Ourselves to Blame \_\_\_\_\_ For Our Failures. (18)

"It is the LORD's will," Eli replied. "Let him do what he thinks best."

1 Samuel 3:18b

#### 4. God Still Wants to \_\_\_\_\_ Through His Word. (19-21)

*19 As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him, and everything Samuel said proved to be reliable.*

*20 And all Israel, from Dan in the north to Beersheba in the south, knew that Samuel was confirmed as a prophet of the LORD. 21 The LORD continued to appear at Shiloh and gave messages to Samuel there at the Tabernacle.*

1 Samuel 3:19-21

- God speaks to those who are willing to listen (10)
- God speaks only truth
- God speaks through His Word through His messengers

#### ANSWERS:

Ready to Hear, 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance, God or Others, Speak to Us,



We need your help finishing up the decorations and setting up June 20th— June 24th from 9:00 am- 4:00 pm. And on Wed. from 6:00 pm— 8:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Friday we will be working in the Worship Center from 9:00 am— 1:00 pm and from 4:30 pm to finish.

Please bring your own lunch and drinks. We have a fridge and a microwave. Thank you in advance.



#### Financial Update

Total Weekly Budget  
**\$ 12,857.00**

Weekly Offering  
Received  
June 12, 2016  
**\$ 3,930.95**

The following is a list of supplies we need for Snacks



Fruity Pebbles Cereal  
Pretzel Rods  
Goldfish Crackers  
Goldfish Pretzels  
Rolo Candies  
Box Brownie mix  
Mini Chocolate Chips  
Graham crackers  
Vanilla Wafers  
Teddy Grams  
Hawaiian Punch  
(green, blue orange, red, purple )  
Gallon size



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