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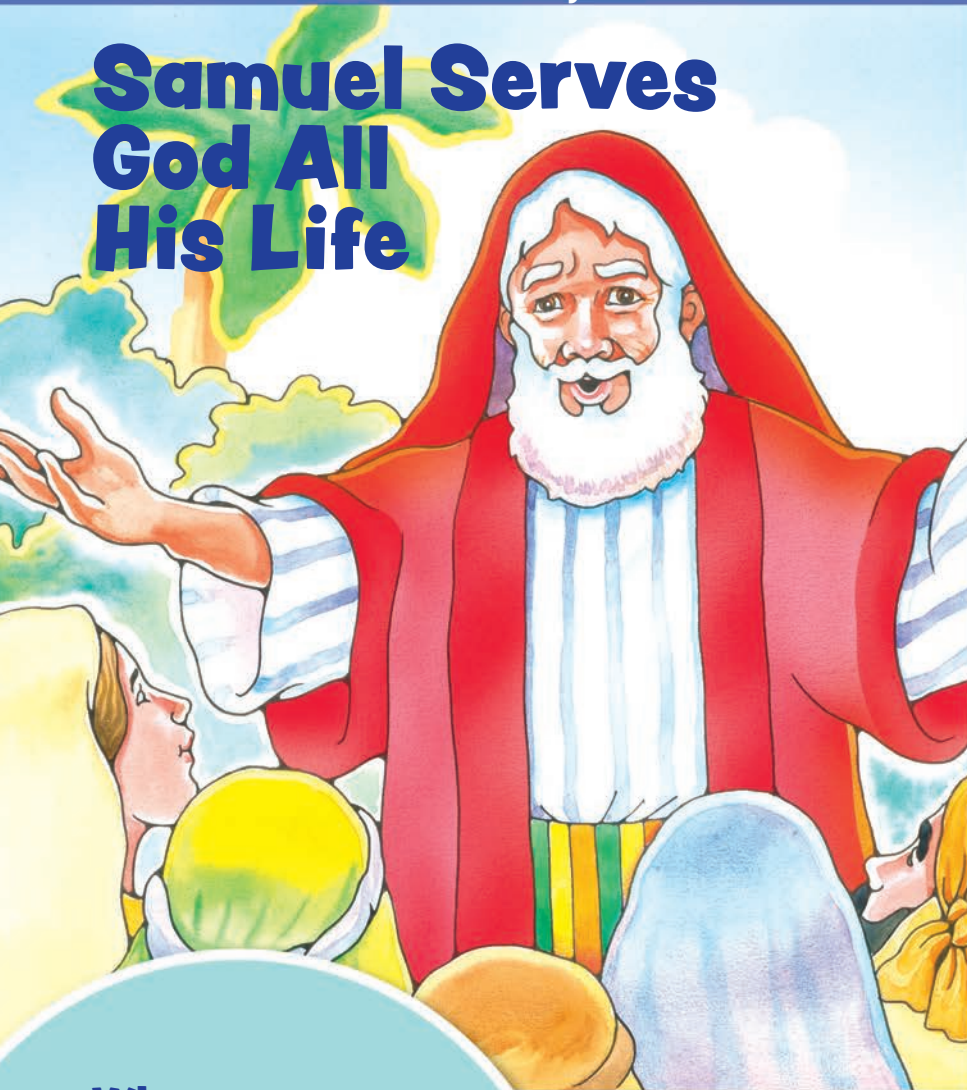
Shaping Hearts with God's Word



A Preschool and Pre-K & K Family Resource

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Samuel Serves God All His Life



**Who was a
special speaker
for God?**

**What did Samuel
tell the people?**

A Read-to-Me Bible Story

from 1 Samuel 3, 8–10, 12

As Samuel grew up, God talked to Samuel. Samuel was a special speaker for God.

One day, God's people said to Samuel, "Give us a king." So God chose a man named Saul to be king. The people brought Saul to Samuel. Samuel talked to the people about what a king should do.

All the people knew Samuel was honest. Samuel prayed for the people. He taught them what was right to do. "Follow God," Samuel said. "Remember what God has done for you."

All his life Samuel was a helper for God.

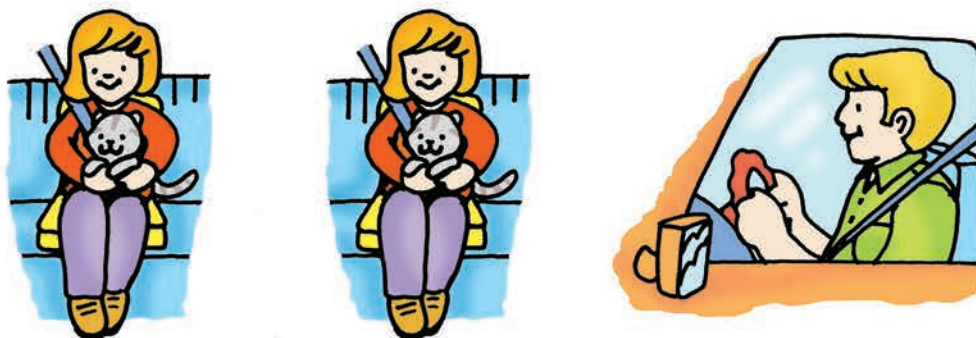


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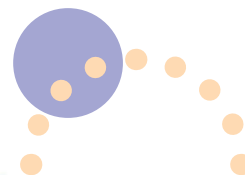
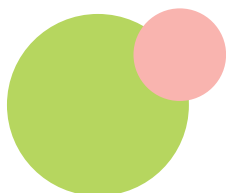
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Say this cheer with your family at home:

**Short or tall, big or small,
Helpers for God—one and all!**



Helpers for God

What are the children helping to do?

Connect the dots. Then finish coloring the picture.



How will you be a helper for God this week?



Finding ways your children can be helpers at home is a valuable teaching

tool in their growth and understanding. Sometimes children's jobs seem like more effort than they are worth. But as parents, we have tremendous opportunities to teach our children to be helpers.

Ask your children to assist you in setting the table, folding laundry, or washing dishes. Children can learn to take on responsibility through age-appropriate tasks. Always remember to encourage the children as they help. Positive affirmation gives them the confidence they need as they assist and learn. Always remember to thank God for your little helpers!



Use these thoughts at mealtimes, bedtimes, or other times when you pray with your child this week.

God, I want to be Your helper!

Thank You, God, for the Bible.

God, as I grow big and tall, I want to serve You with all my heart.



1 Samuel 12:20

Find this verse in a family Bible. Act out ways to help at home as you say the last phrase of the verse: "Serve the Lord with all your heart."

This week, help your child remember:

God wants us to be His helpers.



Family Helpers. Find a service project your family can be involved in together. Help a neighbor rake leaves. Clean a section of the church building. Bake and decorate cookies for someone who is alone or has been ill. (Choose the service opportunity together as a family.) Talk about the task to make sure all family members understand what they are doing. After the activity is finished, share how each family member is a helper for God.

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