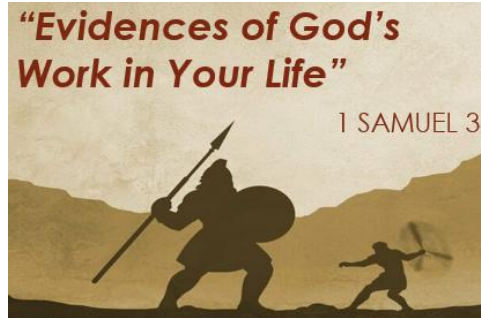
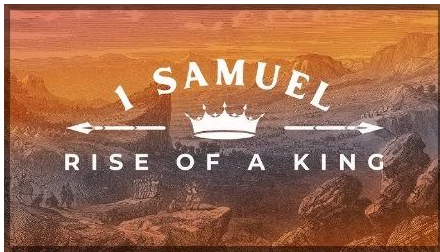


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In Genesis 24...

- ▶ Eliezer was a servant of Abraham.
- ▶ Abraham was concerned about finding a bride for his son, Isaac.
 - ▶ Eliezer, promise me, go and find a bride, and get her from my home country, not Canaan. And don't take Isaac there!
- ▶ Would Eliezer have questions?

As we live our lives as Christians:

- ▶ As we serve the Lord and are obedient...
- ▶ We should be able to say:
 - ▶ I being in the way, the LORD led me.
 - ▶ The Lord has led me in the way.
 - ▶ The Lord has guided me in the way.
 - ▶ For the Lord has led me to...
- ▶ **How** has God been leading in your life?
 - ▶ This is a great thing!
 - ▶ That the LORD of the universe cares for you and is at work in your life!
 - ▶ If this is *not* happening, if you don't see this happening something's wrong.

Here in 1 Samuel 3

- ▶ We see clear evidences of God's working.
- ▶ A young boy (Samuel) busy about the work of the Lord.
 - ▶ Not looking for revelation in the tabernacle.
 - ▶ He wasn't necessarily looking for God's revelation anywhere.
 - ▶ He was simply, faithfully, following God.
 - ▶ Not thinking: one day I'm going to be...
 - ▶ Not even realizing that God is calling.

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YOU NEED TO REALIZE THE LEADING WORK OF THE LORD.

What can we learn in how God worked in young Samuel...?

Some things to learn about the **word of the Lord** and Samuel: 3 of them...

I. The word of the Lord – rare (v.1)

- A. Visions infrequent – Divine displeasure
- B. The outlook is bleak (v.2)

II. The Word of the Lord – revealed (vs.4ff)

- A. Calling and answering
- B. Word of the Lord against Eli's house (vs.12-14)

III. The word of the Lord - resolute (15ff)

- A. Being the Lord's spokesman for the first time was tough (v.15)
- B. Being the Lord's spokesman – future (19-21)

Being the Lord's spokesman – future (19-21) **the narrator gives 4 facts that confirm Samuel's important role:**

1. God continues to grant His supernatural presence to Samuel as he matures (19a).
2. The success of Samuel's words (19b).
3. The validity of Samuel's ministry is demonstrated in his public recognition and acclaim (20).
4. God's continued manifestations to Samuel at Shiloh (21).

CONCLUSION:

- ▶ What a young boy of faith!
- ▶ Here he does right, he's "in the way" and God leads him.
- ▶ What's God been doing in your life?
- ▶ **How** has He been leading, answering prayer, giving you peace, strength and hope? What do you say?