

LETTERS FROM A KIDS CHURCH LEADER

Hello everyone,

I hope you have had a good week. I'm sure you can't believe that summer is very nearly over, I know I can't! I hope you have been on lots of adventures, whether that has been going out for walks or playing in your garden we can't wait to hear about them. It hasn't been the best week for weather but we hope you have been able to have fun anyway. I'm sure you are starting to get ready for school. I was always excited to see my friends and getting new stationery for the school year. I wonder what your favourite thing is to get before school.

Over the summer we have been learning a lot about different heroes of faith in Hebrews 11. Today we are going to look at Samuel. Our hope is that from every story you hear, you are able to remember how important faith in God is. We are still praying for you all and can't wait to see you! But until then, remember how loved you are by God.

Hakuna Matata,

Nikki, Katie, Ben, Mark, Lois, Abigail, Judith, Ruth and John!

Challenge:

"Then Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening'." 1st Samuel 3:10
(NIV – we know you love to add this in!)

When you are trying to remember this verse, why don't you try repeating it over and over, challenge your parents or siblings to say it or write it out.

Sing-A-Long:

Here is a little song to sing and dance along to, we hope you enjoy it!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7it5W1FVtTs>

Bible Story:

"Heroes of Faith" based on Hebrews 11 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OlGXVihi_S8) is the series that Kids Church are going to focus on over the summer! We will learn about a different person from Hebrews 11 who demonstrated faith and this week we are focussing on Samuel. Watch the video below and read 1 Samuel 3.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P13ulsFW7OA>

"And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, about David and Samuel and the



prophets.” Hebrews 11:32

Samuel was known for different ways of showing faith. One of the first ways he showed faith was listening to God and being obedient. Samuel was a great prophet of God and he was able to hear and listen to what God was telling Him. By listening to God at such an early age, he was able to grow in his faith and be faithful throughout his life.

This part of Samuel’s story is really important to us in our life because it shows the importance of having a strong and firm foundation in God by listening to his voice. There are lots of different ways that God might speak to us but we have been given the bible and we can read God’s word. This is how we can listen to God, by reading what has been written and learning from it. Reading our bible every day is going to connect us with God and by keeping it in our hearts we learn how to be faithful, just like Samuel.

Craft:

The craft for today is of Samuel sleeping when he hears Gods voice. Use it as a reminder to listen to God by reading the bible.

What you will need: Card, scissors and colouring pencils.



1. The template for this craft is at the back of this booklet along with instructions.
2. We would love to see your creations, please take a photo and send to steven@railwaystreet.org



Worksheet.

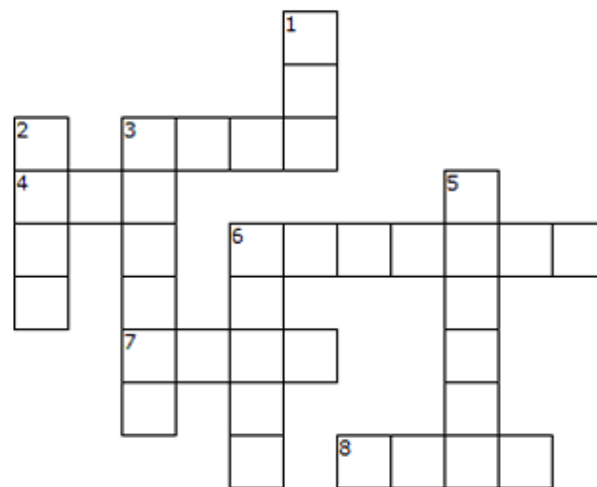
The Call of Samuel

And the Lord came and called as before, "Samuel! Samuel!"

And Samuel replied, "Speak, your servant is listening."

1 Samuel 3:10 (NLT)

Based on 1 Samuel 3:1-10



ACROSS

3. Another name for God
4. A priest in the temple at Shilo
(1 Samuel 3:1)
6. A person who is employed to do
work for another person
7. The pair of organs of seeing in
the faces of humans and animals
8. To ask someone to come to you

DOWN

1. A piece of furniture with a flat
surface that a person can lie on
to sleep
2. Not strong
3. To give attention to a person who
is speaking
5. A boy who ministered with Eli
6. To say words; to use the voice

SAMUEL	SPEAK	CALL	ELI	WEAK
BED	EYES	LORD	SERVANT	LISTEN

Prayer:

Dear God,

Thank you for sharing Abrahams story of faith as a reminder that our faith is based on you and listening to what you say. Thank you for giving us the bible as a way of listening to you. Help us remember to open our bibles every day and learn from the words written there. Thank you for loving us.

For your glory and our good, Amen.

The End:

Jesus is our ultimate hero of faith because he is perfect, but we can still learn from imperfect people. We are so excited for you to work through the “Heroes of Faith” series. We hope this guide points you to God and reminds you of His love. Until next week,

Nikki, Ben, Katie, Mark, Lois, Abigail, Judith, Ruth and John!

Other Resources:

The Bible Project are sending out weekly family encouragements: <https://bibleproject.com>

Illustrated Ministry have lots of Free resources that can be used as well:
<https://www.illustratedministry.com/>

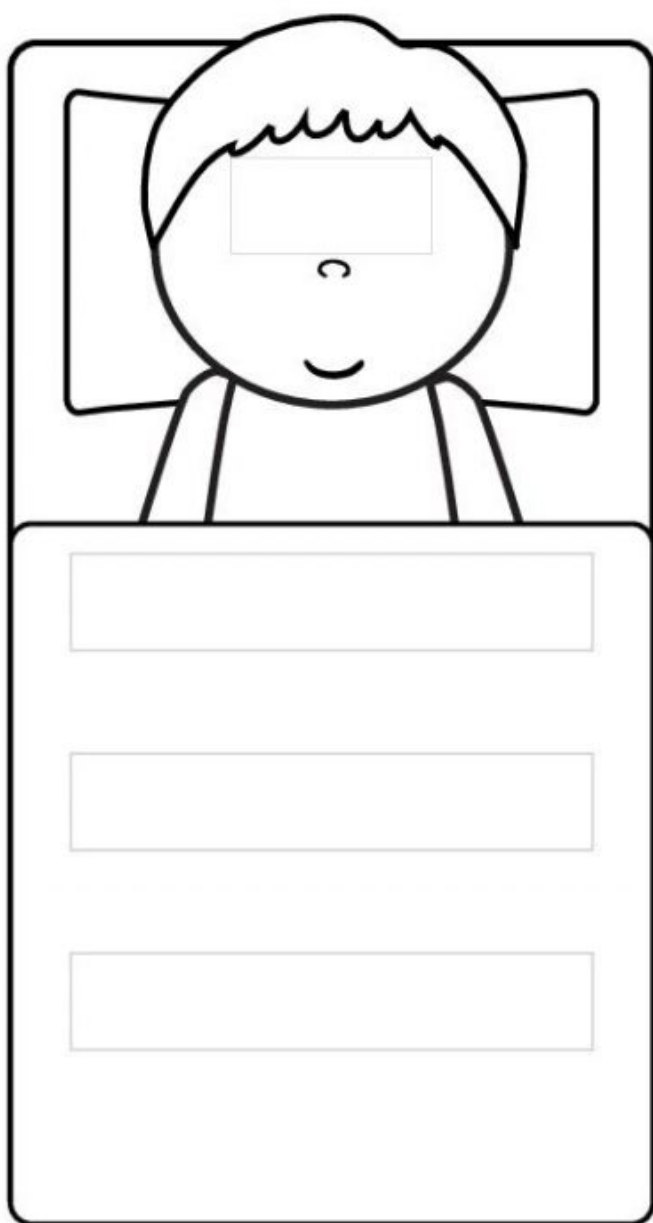
Railway Street Presbyterian Church: <http://www.facebook.com/RailwayStreetPC>

Hope for Youth Ministries are doing assemblies on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays:
<https://www.facebook.com/hopeforyouthministries/>

She Reads Truth have a Kids Read Truth section with a free digital download, ‘Kids Read Matthew.’ This is a daily scripture and activity book, follow the link below to download:
<https://shereadstruth.com/downloads/>

Made for More have an Encounters with Jesus booklet which can be requested from
steven@railwaystreet.org





Samuel Listens

Color craft and cut out.
Cut slit on each of the horizontal
gray lines. Weave tabs through slits.

