



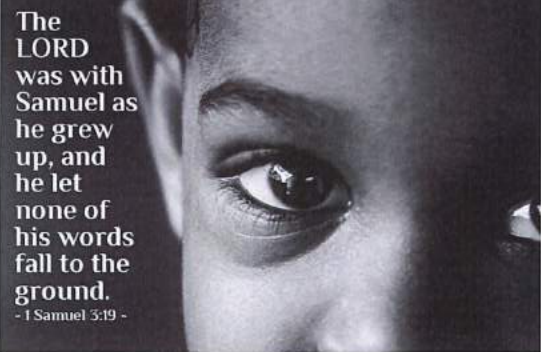
# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

## Hearing God's Call

1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20)

Then the LORD called,  
"Samuel! Samuel!" and he  
said, "Here I am!"

1 Samuel 3:4



The  
LORD  
was with  
Samuel as  
he grew  
up, and  
he let  
none of  
his words  
fall to the  
ground.  
- 1 Samuel 3:19 -

Today, we learn about the boy, Samuel. Samuel lived with Eli, the priest, to learn more about God and to be God's servant. God called to Samuel several times; but, Samuel thought it was Eli calling him. Eli understood that God was calling Samuel to be God's special messenger and to do wonderful things for God.

Many of us hear with our ears; but, there are some people who "hear" with their eyes and communicate with their hands. *"Hear" part of the story of young Samuel by watching this short video which tells young Samuel's story in American Sign Language, a language used by people who do not hear with their ears.*

<http://www.bible.is/deaf/ASESLV/1Sam/3>

God still calls us to do wonderful things and to be God's special messengers. Often God speaks to us and we hear God with our hearts. Our answer should be like Samuel, "Here I am!" "Speak, for your servant listens!"

On Monday, many will celebrate Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Like Samuel, he heard the voice of God calling him to be his special messenger and to do wonderful things for God. Dr. King was God's special messenger who preached that everybody is loved by God and we should treat everyone with kindness, respect, and love, even those who look different and are different from us. **Watch these short videos about Dr. King hearing God's call.** <https://youtu.be/uVX1Nyc3Vws> and <https://youtu.be/4xXZhxTFWnE>

One of Dr. King's most famous speeches, talks about his dream for the world. **Take some time to write down your dream for the world.**

# Your Dreams

## Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was one of the most influential leaders of the American civil rights movement in the 1950s and 1960s. He was born in Atlanta in 1929. Together with his supporters and other activists, Dr. King organized peaceful demonstrations and strikes against laws that treated people of color unequally.

Dr. King dedicated his life to creating a society in which all people are treated equally, regardless of their race or background.



Speaking to more than 250,000 civil rights marchers in August of 1963, Dr. King said, "I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character." What are your dreams for creating a better world?

In Atlanta, we went to see the house where Dr. King was born. On the tour of the house we learned about his famous speech called "I Have a Dream."



**I have a dream that**

