

What did Hannah name her boy? Samuel, which means "asked of God."

What did she say to him? "This is the child I asked of the Lord."

Why did she bring him to Eli? That he might learn to serve God in the temple.

How did she fulfil her vow? She left him with Eli.

What were her last words to Eli? [Repeat GOLDEN TEXT.]

With whom may mothers safely leave their children? With God.

Why was Hannah glad to leave her boy in the temple? Because she loved him.

What was Samuel's first work for the Lord? To help Eli, the priest, in the temple.

Why did Eli need his help? He was growing old.

What did Samuel finally become? God's priest and prophet.

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

Children may serve the Lord by being—

Loving and obedient.

Ready to do what is right.

Ready and glad to help others.

Willing to learn the ways of the Lord.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—Religion in the family.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

In whose image was man created? Man was created in the image or likeness of God.

How was man made like God? His soul was created like God: immortal, holy, and happy.

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THE CHILD SAMUEL.

1 Sam. 3. 1-19. Commit to memory verses 10-13.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Speak, Lord; for thy servant heareth.
1 Sam. 3. 9.

OUTLINE.

1. Night in the Temple. v. 1-3.
2. A Voice in the Night. v. 4-9.
3. The Words of the Voice. v. 10-19.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

Who spoke to Samuel in the night? The Lord.

Who did Samuel think was calling him? Eli.

What did Eli tell him? "I did not call you."

How many times did the Lord speak to Samuel? Four times.

What did Eli tell Samuel the third time? That it was the voice of the Lord.

What did Eli tell him to say if God called him again? [Repeat GOLDEN TEXT.]

What did the Lord tell Samuel? That he would punish Eli and his sons.

Why did Eli's sons deserve punishment? Because of their wicked deeds.

Why would God punish Eli? Because he allowed them to sin without restraining them.

To what does sin always lead? To sorrow and suffering.

What did Eli ask Samuel the next morning? What the Lord had said.

What did Samuel do? He told him all the truth.

What was Eli's reply? "Let the Lord do what is right."

Why did the Lord thus speak to Samuel? To show the people he had chosen him for his prophet.

How old was Samuel at this time? About twelve years.

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

How God speaks to children now—

By the words of his Holy Book.

Through kind friends and teachers.

By sickness or trials.

By his Holy Spirit in the heart.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—Divine revelation.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

Did our first parents continue holy and happy? No; they sinned against God and fell into misery.

What is sin? Sin is not obeying the commands of God.

THIRD QUARTERLY REVIEW.—SEPT. 30.

Repeat the GOLDEN TEXTS for " " after.

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| 1. Be strong— | 8. And they— |
| 2. When thou— | 9. The sword— |
| 3. By faith— | 10. The God of— |
| 4. Be sure— | 11. Thy people— |
| 5. I have set— | 12. I have lent— |
| 6. Who have fled— | 13. Speak, Lord— |
| 7. Choose you— | |

REVIEW QUESTIONS.

Lesson I.—Whom did God appoint to succeed Moses? Joshua. Where was he to lead the Israelites? Into the land of Canaan.

Lesson II.—What miracle did God work for the Israelites? He made for them a dry path in the river Jordan. Why did God do this? To show his power and goodness.

Lesson III.—Who appeared to Joshua at Jericho? The Lord. What city did the Lord deliver into his hands? The city of Jericho.

Lesson IV.—Who sinned against the Lord? Achan. What was his sin? He coveted and stole. How was he punished? With death.

Lesson V.—What did Joshua build unto the Lord? An altar of stones. What was written on the altar? The laws of God. To whom did Joshua read the laws? To all the people.

Lesson VI.—What did God command Joshua to do? To build cities of refuge. Why were they needed? As a place of safety.

Lesson VII.—What had Joshua now become? An old man. What did he ask of the Israelites? To choose whom they would serve. Whom did they choose? The Lord.

Lesson VIII.—Whom did the Israelites worship after Joshua's death? Other gods. How did the Lord punish them for leaving him? By bringing great trouble upon them.

Lesson IX.—Who delivered the Israelites from their enemies? The Lord, through Gideon. How large an army did Gideon have? Three hundred men.

Lesson X.—Who was the strongest judge of the Israelites? Samson. How did he destroy the Philistines? He pulled down the temple upon them.

Lesson XI.—What did God send to Naomi? Great sorrow and trouble. Who went with Naomi to her own country? Faithful Ruth.

Lesson XII.—Whom did Hannah give unto the Lord? Her only son Samuel? Why did she do this? Because God had answered her prayers.

Lesson XIII.—Who spoke to Samuel in the night? The Lord. What did he tell Samuel? Of the punishment to fall upon Eli and his sons. Of what was this a proof? That Samuel was true to God.

Special Quarterly Service.—Topic: Education. 1. What is education? 2. Who should seek education? 3. The Church and education.

LOOK OUT FOR THE VOICE.

You often hear boys and girls say words when they are vexed that sound as if made up of a snarl, a whine and a bark. Such a voice often expresses more than the heart feels. Often, even in mirth, and it sticks to them through life. Such persons get a sharp voice for home use, and keep their best voice for those they meet elsewhere. I would say to all boys and girls, "Use your guest-voice at home." Watch it day by day, as a pearl of great price, for it will be worth more to you than the best pearl in the sea. A kind voice is a lark's song to a hearth and home. Train it to sweet tones now, and it will keep in tune through life.