The Child SAMUEL

AS A TYPE OF OUR LORD

SAMUEL

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- 1. 1 Sam. i, 11.—Hannah:
 "Give unto thy handmald a man-child, and
 I will give him unto the
 Lord."
- Luke i, 38.—Virgin Mary: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord: be it unto me according to Thy word."
- 2. Elkanah, a godly, righteous father.
- Joseph, a godly, righteous man.
- 3. Dedicated to the Lord, and brought early to His house.
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- 4. Eli, the priest, greets and blesses the family in the house of God.
- **Simeon** and **Anna** greet and bless the holy family in the Temple.
- 5. Sat at the feet of the **priest** in the courts of the Lord.
- Sat at the feet of the **teachers** in the courts of the Temple.
- 6. "And the child **Samuel** grew on, and was in favour both with the Lord and also with men."

 —1 Sam. ii. 26.
- "And Jesus advanced in wisdom and stature and in favour with God and men."—Luke ii, 52.
- 7. "Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth."
- "As my **Father** hath taught me, I speak these things."—John viii, 28.
- 8. Announced destruction to the existing priesthood, owing to their corruption.
- Pronounced judgment on the existing priesthood on account of their sins.

"Oh, give me Samuel's ear— The open ear, O Lord, Alive and quick to hear Each whisper of Thy word; Like him to answer at Thy call, And to obey Thee first of all.

Oh, give me Samuel's heart—
A lowly heart that waits
Where in Thy house Thou art,
Or watches at Thy gates;
By day and night a heart that
still

Oh, give me Samuel's mind— A sweet, unmurmuring faith, Obedient and resigned To Thee in life and death; That I may read with child-like

Moves at the breathing of Thy Will.

Truths that are hidden from the wise."