

NIV MEMORY VERSE: 1 Samuel 3:21

UNITED KINGDOM 2-1

The Lord continued to appear at Shiloh, and there he revealed himself to Samuel through his word.

**"A PASSIVE FATHER . . . A PROMOTED CHILD"
READ 1 Samuel 2:12 - 3:21**

DAY 1 - READ 1 Samuel 2:12 - 3:21

1. What was a new thought to you in last week's lesson?

2. First Samuel 3:21 says ". . . He (God) revealed Himself to Samuel through His Word." What application do you see in that verse for you personally?

DAY 2 - REVIEW 1 Samuel 2:12-26

3. Eli's son's (Hophni and Phinehas) were wicked men.
 - a. What was the Lord's instruction in Leviticus 7:25?

 - b. How were Eli's sons desecrating the offering in 1 Samuel 2:16?

 - c. Why was the sin great in the Lord's sight?

4. How did Hannah keep close ties to her son Samuel?

5. How did God bless Hannah and Elkanah?

6. The people complained to Eli about his wicked sons.
 - a. What did he do/not do that showed him to be a passive, indulgent father?

 - b. To what extent do you think parents are responsible for rebellious children?

 - c. What provision for discipline did the law make in Deuteronomy 21:18-21?

 - d. What do you think is the value of discipline . . .
 . . . for the parent?
 . . . for the child?

7. Samuel, on the other hand (fill in verse 26), "continued _____
_____."

DAY 3 - REVIEW 1 Samuel 2:27-36

8. God sent an unnamed prophet to warn Eli.
 - a. What was Eli actually doing in verse 29 by indulging his son's actions?

 - b. How would the Lord deal with those who would not honor Him in vs. 30?

9. a. What penalty would be leveled against Eli's descendants?
 - b. Hophni and Phinehas would _____.

10. a. With the promise of punishment came a promise of promotion. What was it?
 - b. Eli was very old (vs.22). Share what you think might have been going through his mind at these pronouncements.

11. What is the truth of Proverbs 11:5?

DAY 4 - REVIEW 1 Samuel 3:1-18

12. What do you learn in verse 1 and how would you compare that to today?

13. a. When the Lord called Samuel, where was he and how did he react?
 - b. Share how you first responded to the Lord's "call" in your life.

14. a. What was Samuel's limitation in verse 7?
 - b. What is granted the Christian according to 1 Corinthians 2:10-16?

15. a. When the Lord appeared to Samuel, what was His message?
 - b. . . . Eli's comment?

16. How do you think Eli's attitude was a good example for young Samuel?

DAY 5 - REVIEW 1 Samuel 3:19-21

17. a. What was the test of a prophet in Deuteronomy 18:22?
 - b. To honor that, what did God do for Samuel in 1 Samuel 3:19?
 - c. Samuel's reputation as a true prophet spread over all Israel. How can we recognize those who speak God's truth today?
18. We've considered the thought that God reveals Himself through His Word. What are some other ways God has revealed Himself to you?
19. Write your favorite verse from Psalm 100.

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: