

1 Samuel 3:1-10 NIV

The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions.

² One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. ³ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

⁴ Then the LORD called Samuel. Samuel answered, "Here I am." ⁵ And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down.

⁶ Again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." "My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down."

⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸ The LORD called Samuel a third time, and Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy.

⁹ So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Do You Hear What I Hear? When God Breaks In...

Understanding God's Call

1. Called to a _____ relationship with God
2. Called to a life of _____
3. Called to _____
4. Called to _____ God in _____

Hearing God's Call

Resistible Grace

1. My relationship is _____ and _____.
2. My obedience is at best _____ and mere _____ conformity.
3. If I render service, my motivation is for _____ glory.
4. I should not expect to _____ God in heaven.

"And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness.'"
NAS Matthew 7:23

Irresistible Grace

1. I know God _____ and our relationship _____.
2. I more and more _____ to sin and grow in _____ and _____.
3. I have a growing _____ to serve _____ and _____.
4. I will hear God say, "Well done, my _____ and _____ servant."

He again fixes a certain day, "Today," saying through David after so long a time just as has been said before, "Today if you hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts." NAS Hebrews 4:7

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." NIV Matthew 11:28-30