

SAMUEL 1 - CHAPTER 3 (NOTES)

Q1: When did God speak to Samuel?

Ans: One night, Samuel was sleeping. He was woken up by a voice calling him.

Q2: Who did Samuel think was calling him?

Ans: Samuel assumed it was Eli's voice, so he went to Eli's bed and asked him why he had called him.

Q3: What did Eli ask Samuel to do after he had heard the voice for the third time?

Ans: Eli perceived it was the Lord calling Samuel. He told Samuel to go back to bed and if he heard the call again, he was to respond, "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening."

Q4: What was the message God gave Samuel?

Ans: God spoke to him about the future of Israel and the future of Eli's house. God was going to punish Israel and bring His judgement on Eli's house

Q5: Why was God going to punish Eli's household?

Ans: God was going to punish Eli's household because of the wicked behavior of his sons, Hophni and Phinehas, which profaned God's sacrifices and weakened the people's worship. Eli's sin was showing more honor to his sons than to God by not taking disciplinary action against their gross misconduct, leading to a divine judgment on his family.

Q6: Who was Samuel?

Ans: Samuel was a religious leader of Israel, serving as a God's prophet, priest, and judge.