

BLAST Video #3: "A Call In The Night"

(I Samuel 3:1-10)

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The boy Samuel ministered before the Lord under Eli. In those days the word of the Lord was rare; there were not many visions. One-night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called Samuel.

Samuel answered, "Here I am. " 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.

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

A third time the Lord called, "Samuel!"

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. 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.

The Lord came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!"

Then Samuel said, "Speak, for Your servant is listening."

You know, a lot of times, we think that God doesn't have any plans for us until we get older, or go to more school, or things like that. But you know what? It was God that made you - and he made you perfectly, exactly the way He wanted. And you know what that means? That means that God has plans for you, plans that He has had in mind ever since you were in His mind. Wow! Isn't that cool?

Now it may be that God may not start giving you an idea of His plans for you until you are older. But a friend of mine who became a missionary in Japan says she started to get the sense God was calling her to that kind of life when she was just 6-7 years old. And I know for myself, that I knew from a very young age that God wanted me in church work - just like what I'm doing now.

Never feel like you can't be doing things for God. Even now, at whatever age you're at, God can use you. So, whenever you are praying to God, just tell Him that, whenever He is ready to use you, you are ready to be used for Him - just like Samuel! God bless, guys!