

## Devotional: God Is Calling You!

### Christian Devotion on Hearing the Voice of God

Read: 1 Samuel chapter 3 (NKJV)

This was a very special revelation for Samuel, as we read in V:1, "The word of the Lord was rare and precious in those days; there was no frequent or widely spread vision." God called Samuel three times before Eli perceived it was the Lord speaking to him. Samuel did not know the Lord at this stage (v:7). How often has God called out to us, but we have not heard Him, or recognized it was He that was calling us? What has God laid on your heart to pursue? A 'dream' or 'vision' He has given you. Of course, we need to have discernment to know if it is of God or of ourselves. But I think that anything in the area of 'ministering' to others and 'spreading the gospel' must be of God. I believe that God gives us real 'passion' in our hearts for that 'dream' or 'vision'.

It must have been hard for Samuel to tell Eli everything the Lord spoke to him about. Sometimes there may be times like this where we need to share something the Lord has shown us. In saying that, I don't believe that God is in the business of 'gossiping'. If he gives somebody a 'word of knowledge', I believe it is for the benefit of helping that person, maybe to come to know Jesus, or in an area they need healing. Eli must have perceived that God had something real important to say. Even though it wasn't great for him, he recognized it was from God and it was His will. He accepted it.

Samuel had a sensitive spirit and was willing to listen and obey. We, too, need to have a sensitive spirit, willing to listen and obey. We need to remain in-tune with God. We all have a purpose and a destiny. God has created us for a reason. If you are still unsure of what God wants you to do—'Ask'. He will show you. He wants us all to rise up to that which He is calling us to—and be functioning in it. Don't think God hasn't got anything for you to do. On the contrary, He has an awesome plan for your life. If you have a 'dream or 'vision' God has laid on your heart, why not take steps today to make it a reality. Pray that God will direct you and show you what you need to do to make it happen. He will begin to open doors. Watch and see what the Lord will do—when we heed His call.

*For God's gifts and His call are irrevocable. [He never withdraws them when once they are given, and He does not change His mind about those to whom He gives His grace or to whom He sends His call]. - Romans 11:29 (AMPC)*

Lord, may we heed the calling  
You've placed upon our lives,  
To rise up and begin to fulfil  
The dreams we have inside.

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