

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

SCRIPTURE | 1 Samuel 3:1-19

SESSION SUMMARY

God's call on Samuel is the focus of this session. Samuel was a much-prayed-for child, promised to God before birth. He was learning from the priest, Eli, about serving God. And Eli pointed Samuel in the right direction when God called his name. Through Samuel's story, we'll see that remaining near to God helps us know His voice. These are the key takeaways:

- We must learn God's voice (1 Sam. 3:1-9).
- We must follow God's voice (1 Sam. 3:10-19).

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- Would you be able to recognize the voice of any of our family members in a crowded room? Why or why not?
- How does a family member's tone of voice when calling your name affect the way you'd respond?
- When has our family heard God's voice most clearly? What might be keeping us from hearing His voice clearly now?

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Find a few clips of famous songs or actors your family would know. Play the clips in random order without showing them and see who can guess the most correctly. Explain that a lot of voices influencers, the news, people at school, culture—push for our attention. It can be easy to get lost in the chaos of those voices and miss what God is trying to say to us. The best way for us to know His voice as a family is to study God's Word together and pray.