

**On the Road 1 September 2024**  
**Part 1: Are You Listening**

**1 Samuel 3:1-10**

Have you ever been (or know someone) who was scared of the dark? Why was it so frightening? How did you (they) overcome the fear?

How would you feel if God clearly told you a particular message for someone else?

Would you deliver the message?

How do you respond when you hear about others who have “visions” and/or “words” from God?

How often did God’s word come to the people (v.1)?

What was Eli’s physical difficulty (v.2)?

What equipment in the tabernacle needed to remain alight (v.3)? Why was this important? See Leviticus 24:1-4.

Compare the wordings when God calls Samuel (v.4, 6, 8, 10).

In what sense did Samuel “know” the Lord after his call in a way that he didn’t know before (v.7)?

What did Eli tell Samuel to say when God called (v.9)?

What word is missing from what Samuel actually said (v.10)? Why?

Does God speak to Christians today in the same dramatic way that He spoke to Samuel?

Why, or why not?

What things in our lives distract us from hearing the voice of God?

How can you show yourself to be as ready as Samuel was to hear and receive God's word?

Who has been an Eli to you in your life - someone that has helped you hear the voice of God more clearly?

Are you investing your life right now to be an Eli for someone else?

What part of your Christian life has God been speaking to you about as a result of reading this Bible passage?