



Mini Lesson: Old Testament **Hannah and Samuel**

STORY:

THEME:

Children can serve God.

Read the Story

Sit in a low chair or on the floor with a Frolic First Bible. Ring a chime or use another sound to call children to story time. Gather them into a story-time circle.

God made us all to be good helpers. Who do you help? Who helps you? Listen as children share about helping and helpers. We can help each other, and we can serve God. In our story today, a mom prays for a baby. She promises that her child will serve God, and he does!

Hold up the Frolic First Bible and read the story from pages 14-15. Finish your storytelling with the statement at the end of the story:
Children can serve God.

More Story Fun

Hold up the Frolic First Bible for all children to see.

Where's the baby? Point to baby Samuel. **The baby's name is Samuel. Where's Samuel's mom?** Point to Hannah. **Samuel's mom's name is Hannah. Mother Hannah is rocking baby Samuel. Let's pretend to rock a baby.** Rock pretend babies with children.

Point to Samuel in bed. **Samuel grew up! What color are Samuel's pajamas?** Red.

Samuel was sleeping, but he woke up because he heard God's voice. Let's pretend to sleep. When I say "Wake up," let's all wake up like Samuel and say "I'm listening!" Pretend to sleep. After a moment, say, **"Wake up!"** and let the kids respond, **"I'm listening!"**

Raise your hand if you are a good helper. Samuel helped by serving God. We can help by serving God too!

Prayer

Finish your time together with a prayer.

**Dear God,
Thank you for calling Samuel in a special way.
Samuel was a young kid, just like me.
I can serve you too!
Amen.**

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