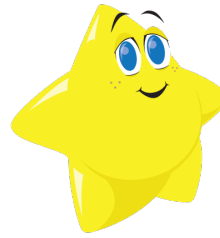


Small Group Leader Guide



Week 1

Ages 4-K
**A Voice in the
Night**

Question

When can you pray?

Answer

I can pray all night, all day!

Bible Verse

Psalms 55:17 NLT

Morning, noon, and night ... the LORD hears my voice.

What To Do First

Review

1. **Introduce** yourself.
2. **Say** the **Question**, **Answer**, and **Verse** together.

Read

1. **Lay** Story Cards in order.
2. **Point** to the first card.
3. **Read** the caption.
4. **Ask** the **Review Question**.
5. **Do** the **Action** together.
6. **Repeat** steps 2-5 for Story Cards 2-5.

Remember

What Do You See?

1. **Hold up** Story Card 1.
2. **Ask**, "What do you see in this picture?" *Group answers.*
3. **Repeat** steps 1-2 for Story Cards 2-5.

Review Questions & Actions

Story Card 1

Question

Who did Hannah pray to?
God

Action

Pretend to be Hannah.
Make prayer hands, and
talk with God.

Story Card 2

Question

When did God say
Samuel's name? *At night;
when Samuel was sleeping*

Action

Pretend to be asleep like
Samuel.

Story Card 3

Question

Did Eli say Samuel's name?
No

Action

Pretend to be Eli, and say,
"Go back to bed!"

Story Card 4

Question

Who listened to God?
Samuel

Action

Put your hands behind
your ears to show you're
listening.

Story Card 5

Question

How long did Samuel
share God's words? *Until
he was an old man*

Action

Crouch down on the floor,
and stand up slowly to
grow old like Samuel.

How To Wrap Up

Talk

Samuel talked with God. When do you
like to talk with God?

Pray

Ask kids what they want to talk to God
about, and pray with them.

Adventure Book Begin at Check Out Time

1. If you need to help with check out, **combine** your Small Groups.
2. **Give** each kid an Adventure Book, six stickers, and some crayons.
3. **Help** kids do activities inside the book.
4. **Keep** kids busy coloring and talking during check out.
5. **Send** stickers home with kids who leave early.
6. When a kid leaves, **tell** the parents something positive about their kid.

