



Introduction

God's first message to Samuel.



Questions

1. Why did the LORD say that Eli's house would be judged?
2. What was Samuel's first job in the morning?
3. By the end of this chapter what extra role did Samuel have, besides being a priest?



Summary Points

- **v 1 to 9** One night Samuel hears God calling him. Eventually Eli realises who is calling and tells him to say that he is listening
- **v 10 to 14** God tells Samuel all that he will do to judge the house of Eli because of his sons' wickedness and his lack of control over them
- **v 15 to 21** Eli makes Samuel tell him all that God said, and accepts what God is about to do (see theme)

Timeline 1050 BC (see below)



Theme

Submitting to God's will

A selection of verses showing we should accept God's will in our lives:

Eli the priest was prepared to accept the message God gave to the child Samuel:

1 Samuel 3 verses 16 to 18

Job accepted the trouble that God sent in his life:

Job 1 verse 21

The Lord Jesus Christ is the best example of submitting to what God wants despite not wanting to do so:

Mark 14 verses 35 and 36

The letter to the Hebrews encourages us to accept the discipline that God sends because it is for our good:

Hebrews 12 verse 9

We should realise that sometimes our plans may not happen if they are not according to God's will:

James 4 verses 13 to 15



Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 13, Q 2: v 15, Q 3: v 20



Bible timeline

