



# Toddler Church Fun!

## This Week's Story: Samuel's Sleepless Night

When God gave the elderly Hannah and Elkanah a son, they showed their thanks by sending him to work in the temple at a place called Shiloh where he lived under the care of a priest called Eli.

One night, Samuel was woken up by the sound of his name being called:

*"Samuel... Samuel..."*

Thinking Eli was calling, Samuel ran to wake him up - but Eli had not called, and sent Samuel back to bed.

Then Samuel was woken up again: *"Samuel... Samuel..."*

Again Samuel ran to Eli, but again he had not called.

*"Samuel... Samuel..."* When it happened again, Eli told Samuel to respond to the voice, because it was God's voice:

*"Samuel... Samuel..." - "Here I am!"*

God told Samuel that he would grow to be a wise priest and leader of the people.

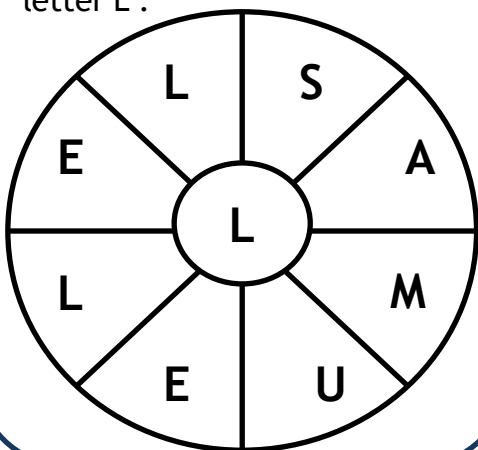


### Prayer:

Lord God, even though at times it is hard to be the people you want us to be, help us to hear when you call our names and live as you want us to live. **Amen**

### Older Brothers & Sisters!:

Use the *Word Wheel* to create as many words of three letters or more as you can with the letters of *Samuel* and *Eli*. All your words should contain the letter L :



### Activities (Examples and resources are on the next pages):

#### Samuel wakes up!:

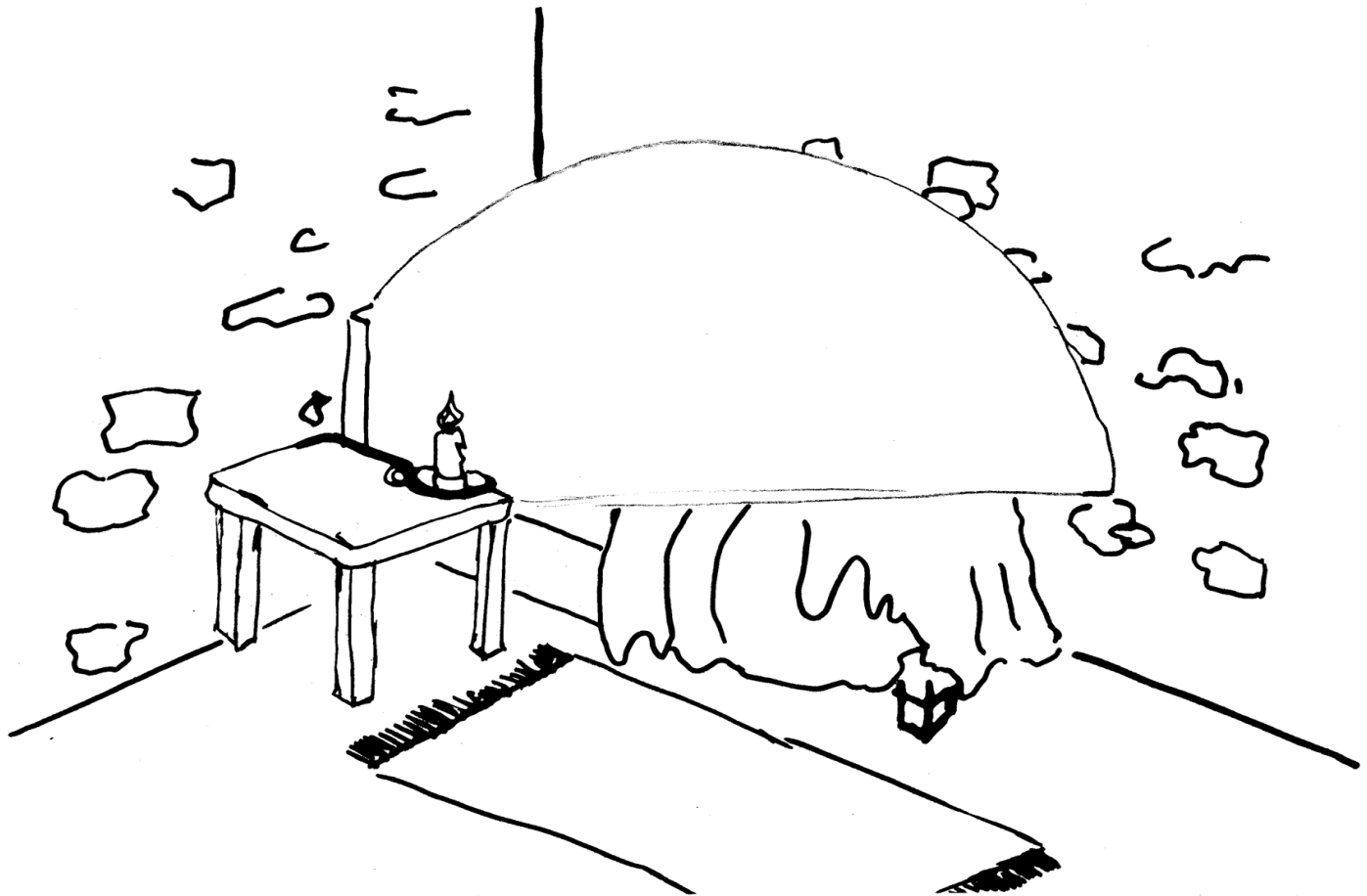
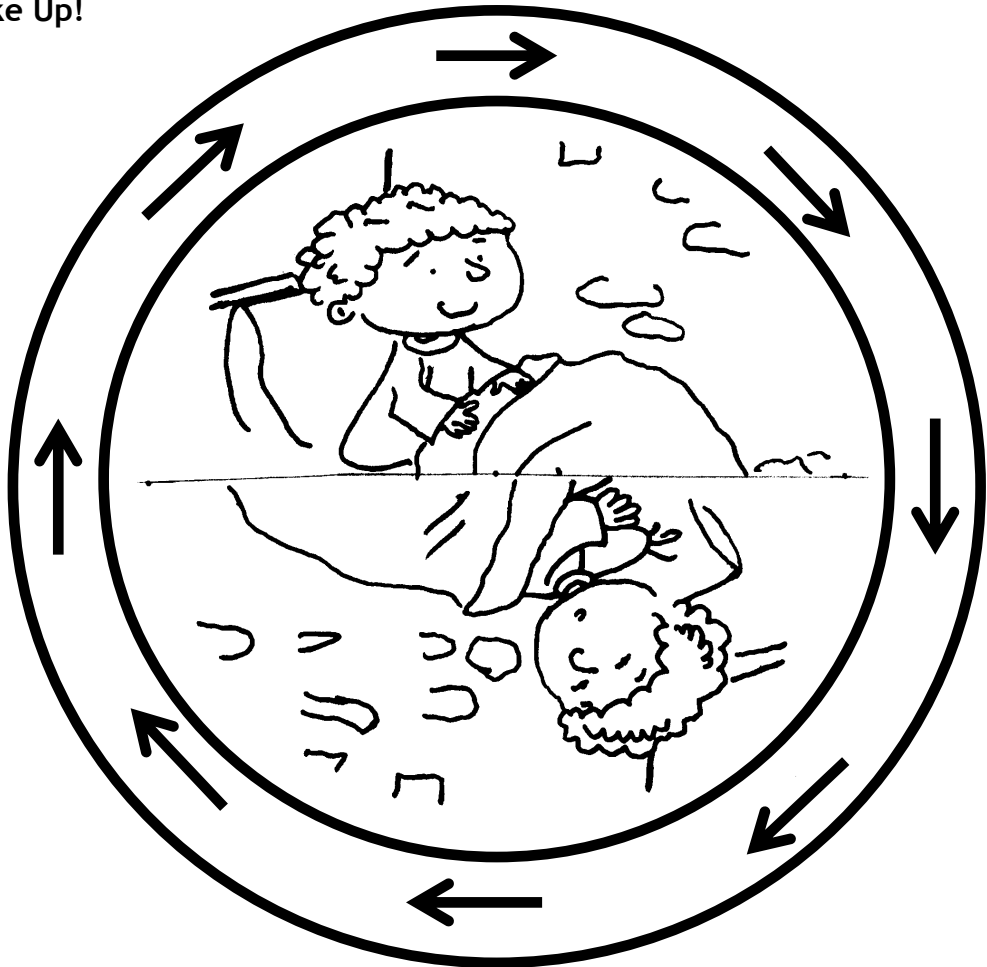
- Cut out the centre of the room picture, and the circle with the two pictures of Samuel.
- Colour the pictures in.
- Fix the circle behind the room with a paper fastener (it may help to stick the pictures to card).
- Rotate to wake up Samuel!

#### Samuel's Coats:

When Samuel's mother Hannah visited him in the temple every year she would bring him a new coat. Looking at the pictures, can you say the colours of the Samuel's coats in the order she gave them to him? You may want to print them, cut them out and place them in order.

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*Pauline's Example:*



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