

SUNDAY JOY WORSHIP KID STORY August 23, 2020

God calls Us by Name

1. Watch this video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P13uIsFW7OA&t=94s>
2. DISCUSS THESE QUESTIONS
 - a. What was Samuel's trouble in this story?
 - b. Have you ever heard God speak to you, the way God spoke to Samuel?
3. God called Samuel by his Name. That's because God knew Samuel even before his mother did...even before Samuel was born. Also, God knows who you are. God tells us, "Before I made you, I called you by Name. You are mine." God's Word says, "Before you were born, I knew you." Indeed, God created us so that we, like Samuel, could serve God.
4. So, even if you have not heard God's voice, you can hear God's voice in the Bible, and know that he has called each of us to serve Him.

So, think about one way you can serve God today by praying?

1. Say a prayer at the beginning of the day:

"Day by day, day by day, O dear Lord, three things I pray: To see you more clearly, to love you more dearly, and to serve you every day. Amen."

2. Say a prayer for dinner.

"Thank you for the world so sweet. Thank you for the food we eat. Thanks you for the birds that sing. Thanks you God for everything."

Or

"Bless, O Lord, these gifts our use and us to your service, for Christ's sake, Amen."

3. Say a prayer at bed time.

"Now I lay me down to sleep. I pray my Lord my soul to keep. Guard us Jesus through the night, and wake us with the morning light."

Or

"Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work or watch or weep this night. And give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ, soothe the suffering, give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; all for your love's sake. Amen."

4. Pray for our country:

"God bless American, land that I love. Stand beside her, and guide her, thru the night, with the light, from above. Amen."

or

"Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we would use