

Family Together Time

For families with children ages 3 to 6

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Samuel Serves God All His Life: 1 Samuel 3, 8–10, 12

Family Talk

Finding ways your children can be helpers at home is a valuable teaching tool in

their growth and understanding. Sometimes children's jobs seem like more effort than they are worth. But as parents, we have tremendous opportunities to teach our children to be helpers.

Ask your children to assist you in setting the table, folding laundry, or washing dishes. Children can learn to take on responsibility through age-appropriate tasks. Always remember to encourage the children as they help. Positive affirmation gives them the confidence they need as they assist and learn. Always remember to thank God for your little helpers!



Bible Memory FUN

1 Samuel 12:20

Find this verse in a family Bible. Act out ways to help at home as you say the last phrase of the verse: "Serve the Lord with all your heart."

This week, help your child remember:

God wants us to be His helpers.

Family Fun...

Family Helpers. Find a service project your family can be involved in together. Help a neighbor rake leaves. Clean a section of the church building. Bake and decorate cookies for someone who is alone or has been ill. (Pick the service opportunity together as a family.) Talk about the task to make sure all family members understand what they are doing. After the activity is finished, share how each family member is a helper for God.

Daily Talks with God

Use these thoughts at mealtimes, bedtimes, or other times when you pray with your child this week.

God, I want to be Your helper!

Thank You, God, for Samuel's good example.

God, as I grow big and tall, I want to serve You with all my heart.

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