

Samuel Dies

A Bible Story for Kids

Find it in the Bible: 1 Samuel 25:1, 1 Samuel 28:3

Characters: Samuel, All Israel

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SAMUEL HAD SERVED God his whole life. From when he was a little boy in God's temple to when he was an old man, Samuel always listened to God and obeyed Him.

Samuel had been Israel's judge, their prophet, and their leader. He helped them when they were in trouble. He told them what God wanted them to do. He anointed their first two kings—Saul and David. Samuel was always honest and always faithful to God.

One day, Samuel died. He was very old. The Bible says, 'All Israel assembled and mourned for him.' That means EVERYONE was sad—from the north to the south of Israel, everyone cried because Samuel had died.

They buried Samuel at his home in Ramah. That's where he had lived and served God for so many years.

Why did everyone love Samuel so much? Because Samuel loved God and loved God's people. He always told the truth, even when it was hard. He never cheated anyone or took what wasn't his. He spent his whole life serving God and helping others.

Samuel's life teaches us important lessons:

1. Listen to God—Samuel learned to hear God's voice when he was young, and he kept listening his whole life.
2. Obey God—Even when it was hard, Samuel did what God told him to do.
3. Be honest—Samuel never lied or cheated. People could trust him.
4. Serve others—Samuel helped people and prayed for them his whole life.
5. Stay faithful—Samuel loved God from the time he was little until the day he died.

Even though Samuel died, his story still helps us today! We can read about him in the Bible and learn how to love and serve God just like he did.

Samuel heard God say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening,' when he was just a boy. And he kept listening to God his WHOLE life. That's the best way to live!

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