

THE STORY OF

SAMUEL



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Background



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1. Grew in favor with the Lord and with men

*And the boy Samuel continued to
grow in stature and in favor with
the LORD and with people.*

1 Samuel 2:26



Favor = Demonstrated
delight. Tangible evidence that
a person has the approval of the
Lord.



***These are the ones I look on with favor:
those who are humble and contrite in
spirit, and who tremble at my
word. Isaiah 66:2***



***Surely, LORD, you bless the righteous;
you surround them with your favor as
with a shield. Psalm 5:12***

***For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the
Lord bestows favor and honor. No good
thing does he withhold from those who
walk uprightly. Psalm 84:11***



2. Faithful priest who will do what is in my heart and mind

I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who will do according to what is in my heart and mind. I will firmly establish his priestly house, and they will minister before my anointed one always.

1 Samuel 2:35



The faith full will always be
obedience full

Those who are full of faith will
be full of deeds



All great leaders don't start as
LEADERS but SERVANTS

**Do you do what is in God's heart
and mind?**



3. The Lord was with Samuel and let none of his words fall to the ground

And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba recognized that Samuel was attested as a prophet of the LORD. The LORD continued to appear at Shiloh, and there he revealed himself to Samuel through his word.

1 Samuel 3:19-21



**Because you listen, you
become influenceable. And
being influenceable is the key
to influencing others.**

Stephen R. Covey



The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions. One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. 1 Samuel 3:1-2



The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called Samuel. Samuel answered, "Here I am." And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down. 1 Samuel 3:1-5



“SPEAK LORD FOR YOUR SERVANT IS LISTENING” 1 Sam. 3:9-10

Leaders listen to God before asking others
to listen to them

Do you live expecting God to speak
to you?

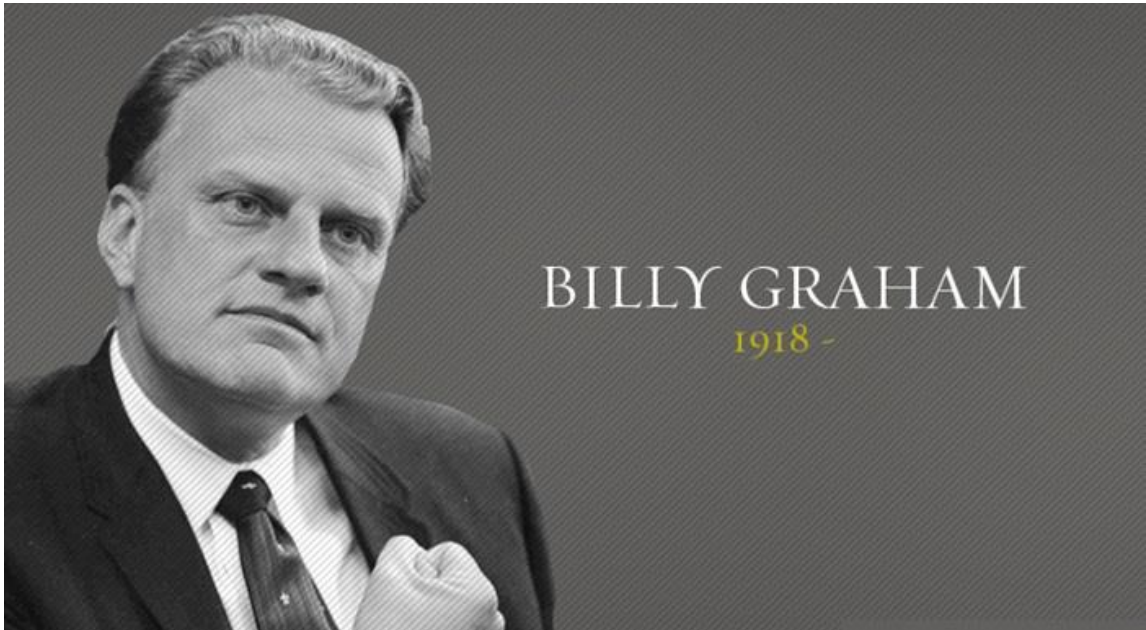


4. He did not teach his sons to walk in God's ways

But his sons did not follow his ways. They turned aside after dishonest gain and accepted bribes and perverted justice.

1 Samuel 8:3





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Personal application questions:

How can I grow in the favor of God more?

Do I do what is on God's heart and mind?

Do you live expecting God to speak to you?

How am I teaching my children to walk in God's ways?

What is my take away today?



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