

## God's Private Presence

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Text: I Samuel 3:1-21

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**Introduction:** When God spoke to and through a young boy named Samuel, He gave us a pattern of spiritual development.

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Samuel:

Lived in a time when his people desperately needed

\_\_\_\_\_ with genuine \_\_\_\_\_ insight (3:1).

Hadn't yet learned to \_\_\_\_\_ the voice of God when he first began to \_\_\_\_\_ it (3:7).

Needed help and encouragement in learning how to

\_\_\_\_\_ to God (3:8-9).

Was greatly used by God to \_\_\_\_\_ proclaim His Word (3:10-21).

Began to talk to \_\_\_\_\_ and eventually talked to \_\_\_\_\_.

Recognized a divine \_\_\_\_\_ within his spirit.

Made himself available to \_\_\_\_\_ from God.

Responded to God in complete \_\_\_\_\_.

Changed his own \_\_\_\_\_ and that of a nation.

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**Conclusion:**

We will never become the spiritual leaders God needs us to be by listening to other people alone. We must learn to spend time with God and to hear HIS voice.

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Discovering the Power  
of the Presence of God