

## CITY LG – October 3<sup>rd</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**Bible Story:** The Lord Calls Out to Samuel • 1 Samuel 3

**Bottom Line:** I can ask God to speak to me.

**Monthly Memory Verse:** *My sheep listen to my voice. I know them, and they follow me.* • John 10:27 NIV

### WORSHIP

Wherever I Go

Believe It

**SLIDE: Theme**

Hellooooo, everybody! I'm so glad We've been learning how we can hear from God. Our series is called, 'Frequency—Learning to Hear from God.'

So, let's practice listening! I need to know if you can hear me today! When I say 'Hello!' I want you to shout back: 'We're listening!' Let's practice! 'Hello!'

Ohhhh, that was pretty good ... but I think you can get even LOUDER. Let's try again! 'Hello!'

Well, today we are going to play a game where you have to listen very carefully, and be very silly at the same time. It's called 'Sound Corners!'

**GAME SLIDE 1: Sound Corners! Title**

Here's how it works. Each corner of the room has a different sound and action!

Over here is the clap corner! Everybody, clap!

And over here is the stomp corner! Everybody, stomp!

Over here is the high-five corner! Everybody, high-five somebody!

And finally ... the sing corner! Everybody sing, 'la la la!'

Awesome! Now listen carefully because I'm going to call out a sound. When I do, you run to that corner and do the action. But remember ... you have to listen carefully! I might bring in a couple twists!

Everybody ready? Let's go!!!

Okay! First one! Stomp corner! Whoa! Those stomps sound like a herd of elephants!

Next one! High-five corner! Clap corner! Sing corner!

Okay, okay ... let's make this harder now.

Clap corner! No wait ... stomp corner!

Ohhh, I gotcha there!

*(Continue with several more fast-paced rounds:)*

- “Sing corner!”
- “High-five corner!”
- “Clap corner!”
- “Stomp corner!”
- “Clap corner while stomping!”
- “Sing corner while high-fiving!”
- “Freeze!”

Everybody, freeze! Wow! You all are amazing listeners! Give yourselves a huge cheer!

You know what? Listening is really important. Today we’re going to hear about someone who heard God calling his name. And that God can and wants to speak to all of us too. Let’s check it out.

#### **VIDEO: Bible Story**

God wants to speak to you! You can even ask Him to, just like Samuel did, and He will! And that’s what our Bottom Line today is all about.

#### **SLIDE: Bottom Line** I can ask God to speak to me.

You can ask God to speak to you! The question is, after you ask, are you going to listen to what He says?

Sometimes people think talking to God is only about us speaking to Him. But prayer is also about listening. Prayer is a lifelong conversation with God. We both talk, and we both listen!

And the more we spend time with God, the more we learn what His voice is like. That’s why reading the Bible is so important. God will never tell us something that goes against what is true in His Word.”

If you ever feel unsure about something you’ve read or heard, you can also talk with a trusted grown-up who follows Jesus, just like Samuel had Eli helping him understand what God was saying.

This week, when life feels noisy or distracting, take a moment to slow down and talk to God and listen to Him. You can pray something simple like, ‘God, would You speak to me?’

What if we did that right now? Just asked God to speak to us? You might not hear anything, and that’s okay, but that shouldn’t stop us from asking. Let’s close our eyes and bow our heads, and you can just have a personal conversation with God, asking Him to speak to you. And then, just listen.”

*Pause for a moment before going into prayer.*

God, thank You that You speak to us. Sometimes life can feel loud and distracting, and sometimes it can be hard to listen. But help us slow down and spend time with You. Help us learn to recognize Your voice more and more. And just like Samuel said, we want to say, 'Speak Lord, I'm listening.' We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

**CHECK THE TIME: There should be 25 minutes for small group. If LG is running late, skip the next part and just have kids bring up their money.**

## **OFFERING**

In Parkview Kids, we want to have fun but also be the hands and feet of Jesus by helping others who are in need. This year we are collecting our offering money to help kids all the way on the other side of the world in a country in Africa called Malawi. Did you know that in this area many communities don't have access to clean water?

### **Slides: 5-8**

We are helping a ministry called E3 which helps put in freshwater wells. Having a well with clean water right in their village means women and children don't have to travel far away to other villages to get clean water, and they don't have to walk with heavy containers of water like you see in these pictures.

Children help carry water too! They have to travel so far that they have to miss school sometimes. And if they used the dirty water that is in their village, they would get very sick. Help us raise money to provide clean water wells in the communities in Malawi who need them. We want you to go home and ask what YOU can do to raise money for these families in Africa!