

# Homework Here I Am

## Winter 2025 | Week 7

Message Date 2/23/2025

### MY STORY

- 1) What's the weirdest thing you've ever accidentally put in your mouth?
- 2) If you could only eat one color of food for the rest of your life, what color would it be?

### QUICK REVIEW

- 3) What caught your attention from Sunday's message?

### DIGGING DEEPER / TAKING IT HOME

#### 1 Samuel 3:11-4:1

*<sup>11</sup> Then the Lord said to Samuel, "I am about to do a shocking thing in Israel. <sup>12</sup> I am going to carry out all my threats against Eli and his family, from beginning to end. <sup>13</sup> I have warned him that judgment is coming upon his family forever, because his sons are blaspheming God and he hasn't disciplined them. <sup>14</sup> So I have vowed that the sins of Eli and his sons will never be forgiven by sacrifices or offerings."*

#### Samuel Speaks for the Lord

*<sup>15</sup> Samuel stayed in bed until morning, then got up and opened the doors of the Tabernacle as usual. He was afraid to tell Eli what the Lord had said to him. <sup>16</sup> But Eli called out to him, "Samuel, my son."*

*"Here I am," Samuel replied.*

*<sup>17</sup> "What did the Lord say to you? Tell me everything. And may God strike you and even kill you if you hide anything from me!" <sup>18</sup> So Samuel told Eli everything; he didn't hold anything back. "It is the Lord's will," Eli replied. "Let him do what he thinks best."*

*<sup>19</sup> As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him, and everything Samuel said proved to be reliable. <sup>20</sup> And all Israel, from Dan in the north to Beersheba in the south, knew that Samuel was confirmed as a prophet of the Lord. <sup>21</sup> The Lord continued to appear at Shiloh and gave messages to Samuel there at the Tabernacle. <sup>4:1</sup> And Samuel's words went out to all the people of Israel.*

- 4) As Samuel was growing up, what kind of obstacles and influences did he have surround him? How do you think he avoided them being the primary influence on his life?
- 5) Verse 19 says, "The Lord was with Samuel as he grew up, and He let none of Samuel's words fall to the ground." How can we ensure that our words align with God's truth and carry weight?
- 6) Samuel's journey started with humble obedience in the temple. Why is it important to be faithful in small things before expecting bigger responsibilities?

### **Romans 12:1-2 NLT**

*"Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect."*

- 7) What does verse teach us about how our thinking impacts our behavior?
- 8) God continued to reveal Himself to Samuel. How can we create space in our lives for ongoing spiritual growth and deeper revelation from God?
- 9) In thinking about the future and your life; if you were to look back 10 or 20 years from now what are some of the things you would want to be able to say about your life? What are you doing now to make those things happen?

## **CHAIR TIME TOOLS**

Reflection Questions for Chair Time: think about the following questions and pray through them with Jesus.

- 1) In thinking about your legacy, is there anything that you need to start or stop?
- 2) In thinking about your legacy, what do you want to be able to say about yourself 20 years from now? What kind of person do you want to be?
- 3) Take some time this week to reach out to a friend who models the kind of character that you want and encourage them.