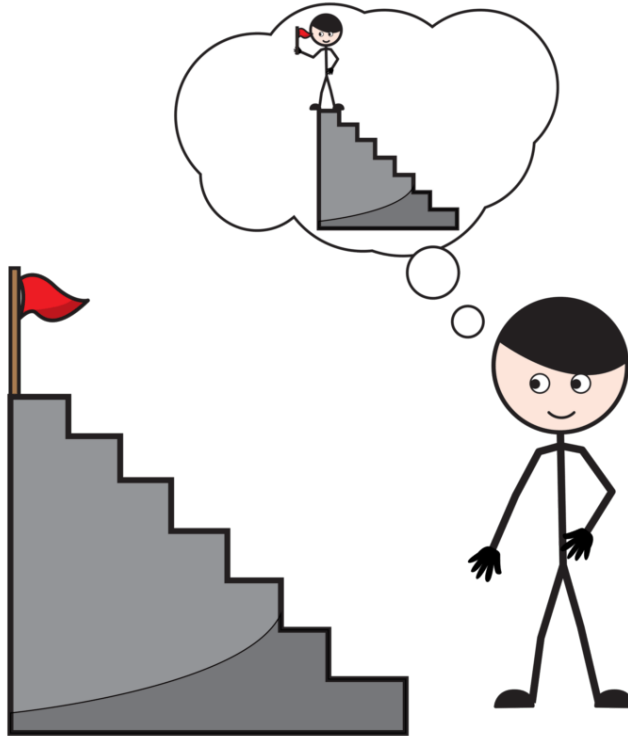
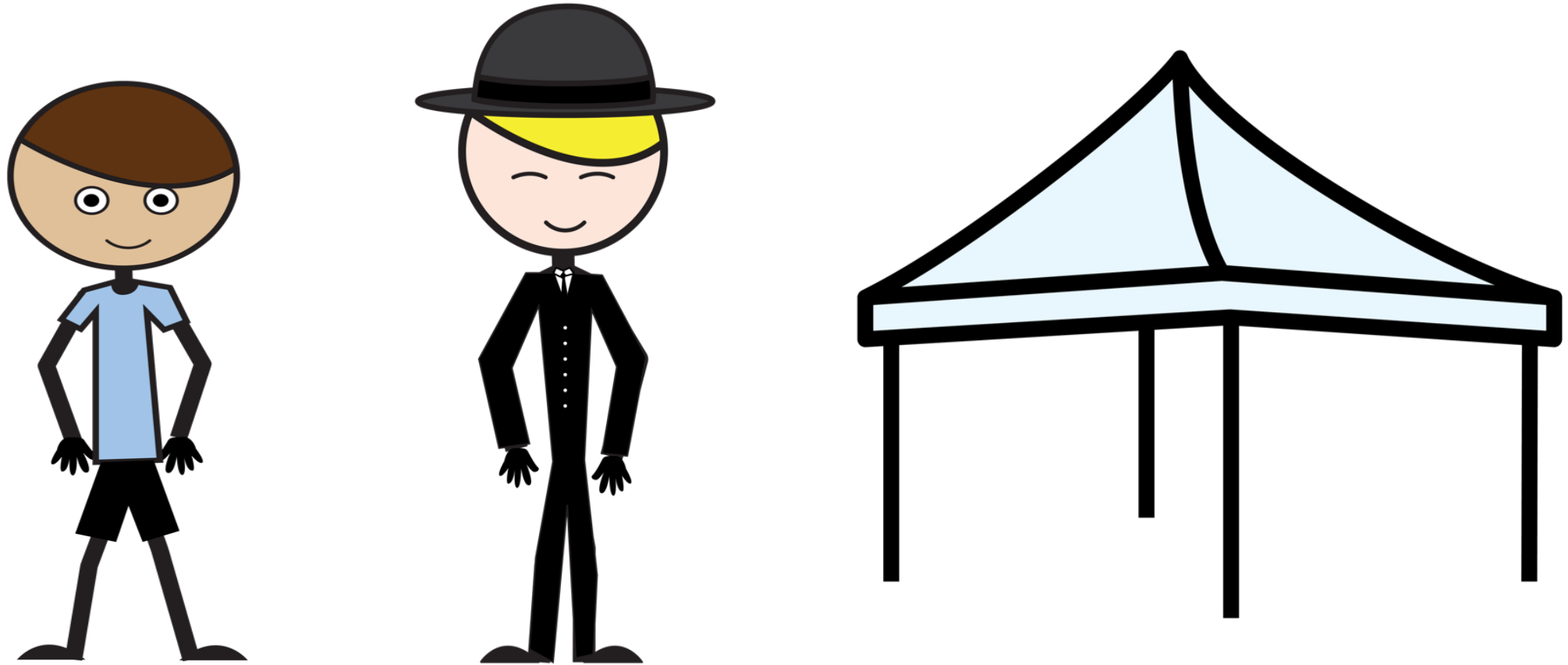


This Week's Story:  
**God Calls Samuel**



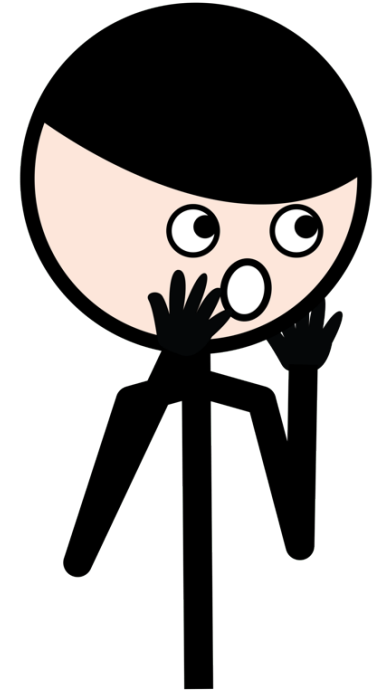
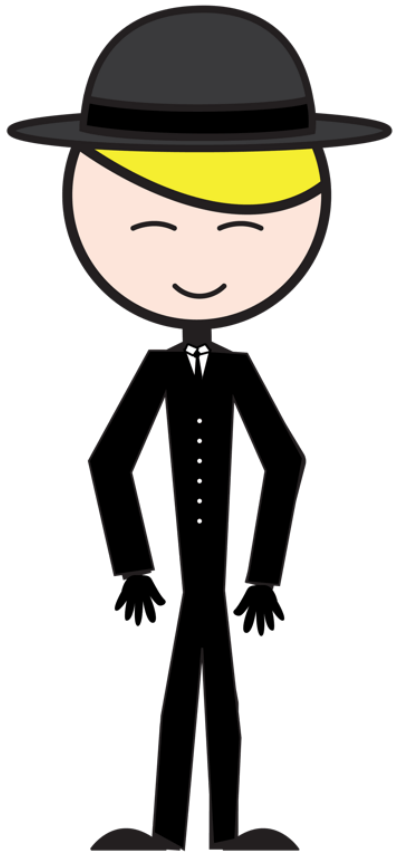
**This Week's Teaching Truth:**  
**God has a purpose for our lives**



**Samuel lived in the tabernacle with Eli the priest.  
Eli was teaching him how to love and serve God.**



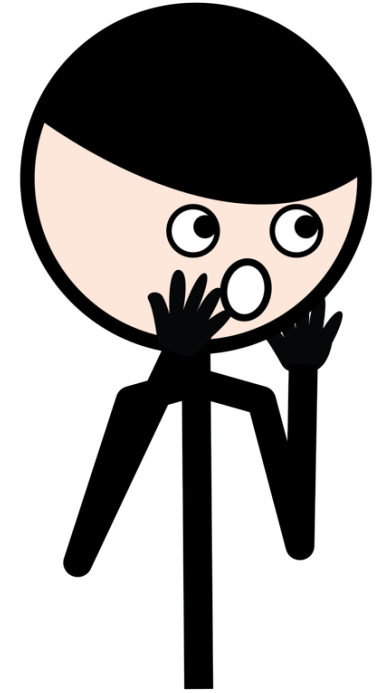
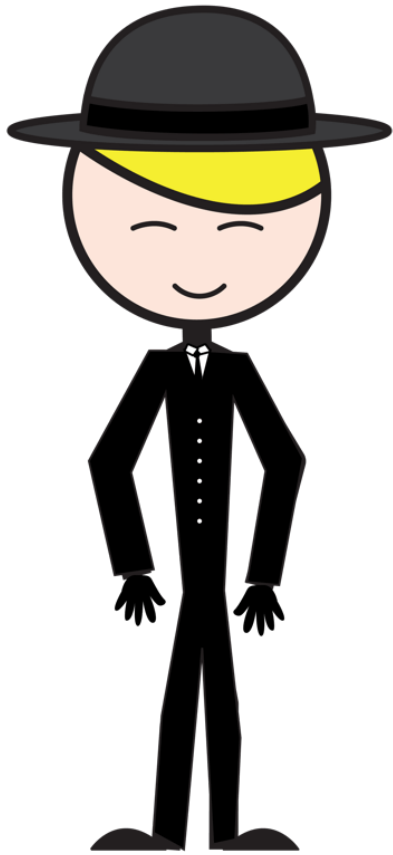
**One night when Samuel was asleep,  
he heard a voice calling, “Samuel!”  
He thought Eli was calling him, so he got up and ran to Eli.**



**Eli was sleeping. Eli told Samuel that he did not call him and to go back to bed.**



**Samuel went back to sleep, but soon he heard the voice calling again. "Samuel!" He got up and ran to Eli.**

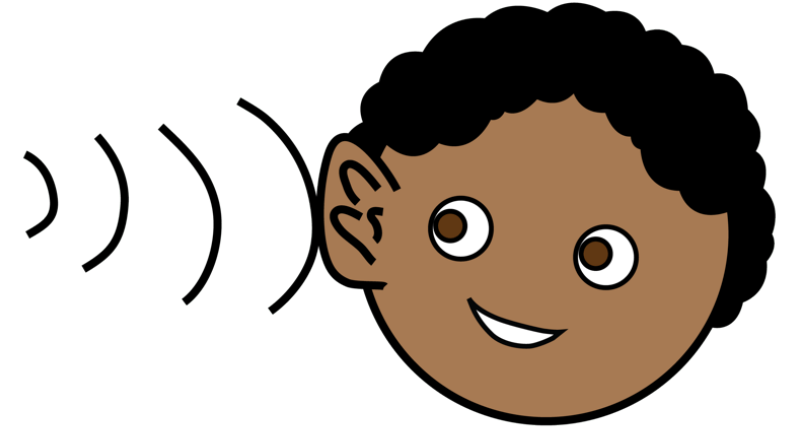
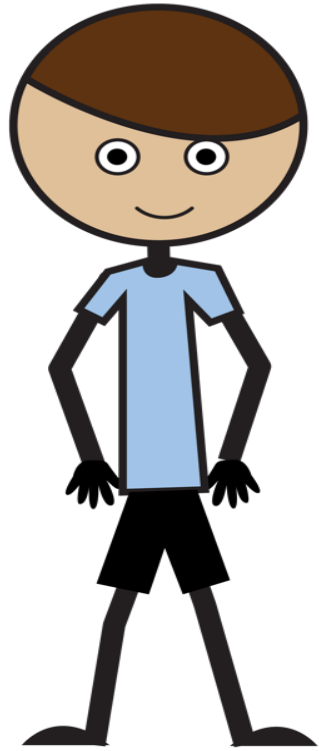


**Eli was sleeping. Eli told Samuel that he did not call him and to go back to bed.**

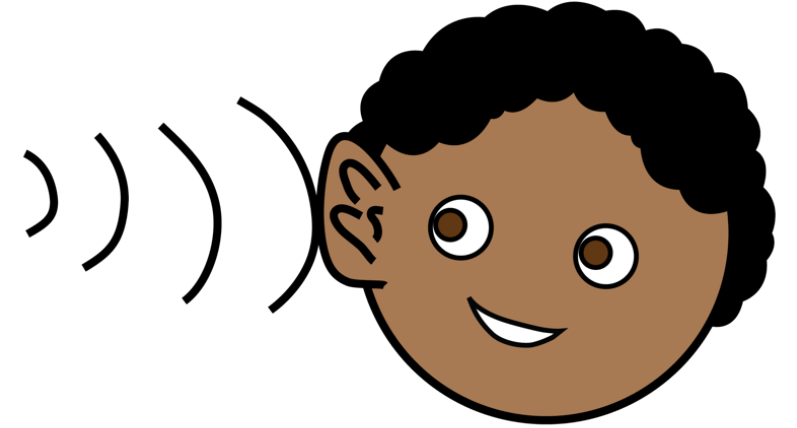
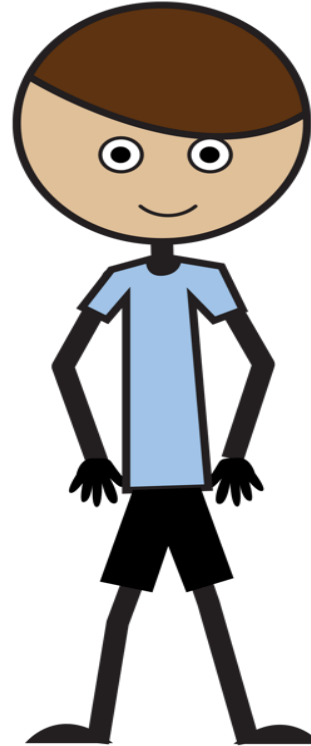


**Samuel went back to bed, but he heard the voice calling a third time. "Samuel!" He got up and ran to Eli.**

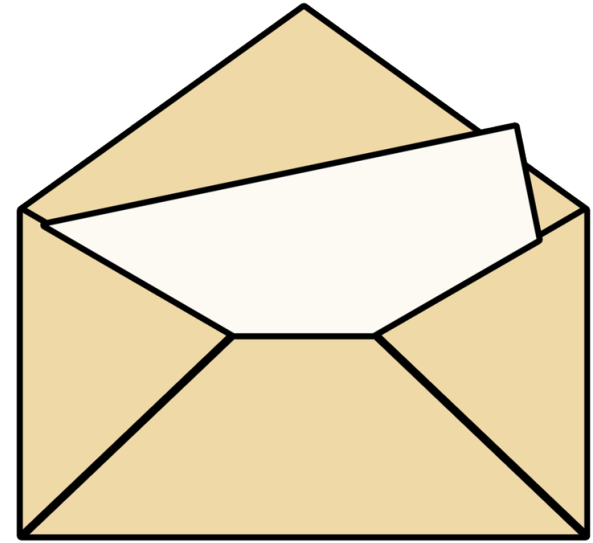
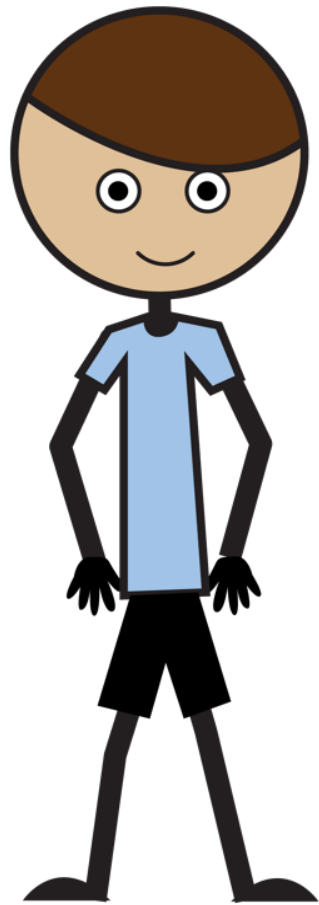




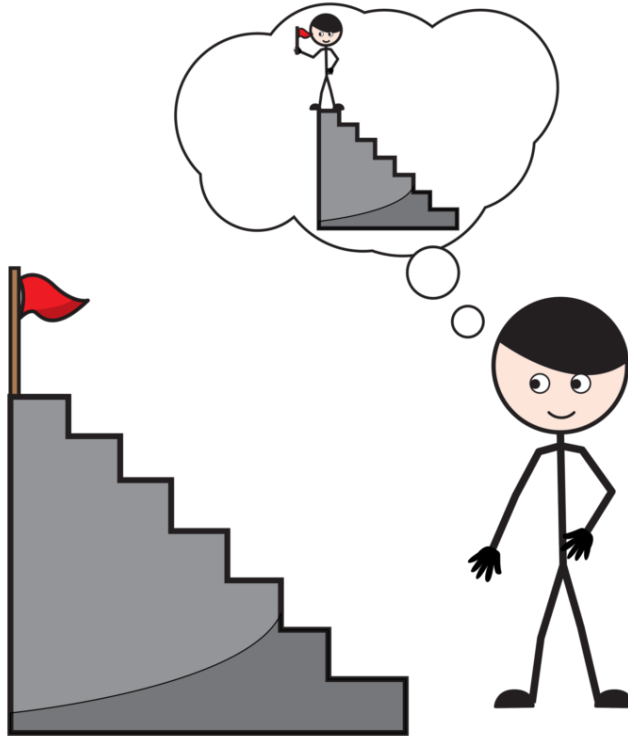
**This time Eli realized that it must be God calling to Samuel.  
Eli told Samuel that if he heard the voice again  
to tell God he was listening.**



**God did call to Samuel again  
and Samuel told God he was listening.  
God had a purpose for Samuel's life.**



**God chose Samuel to be a leader and a prophet.  
God used Samuel to give special messages to his people.  
Samuel listened and obeyed God all his life.**



**God has a purpose for our lives.**