



SAMUEL:

From a Child to a Spiritual Leader

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- As this chapter opens, Samuel is a child. (vs. 1) But, by the end of the chapter, he is viewed by Israel as a spiritual leader for God. (vs. 20)
- How do we become spiritual leaders that others respect and will follow?

First, it takes a _____ heart. vs. 1-10

- Whether it was Eli (his spiritual leader), or the Lord Himself, Samuel had such a yielded heart to do God's _____.
- *“Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but **yield** yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.”*
Romans 6:13
- “Yield” means “to surrender; to _____.”

Second, it takes an _____ heart.

vs. 11-18

- Samuel was honest and up-front with Eli. He shared with him _____ of God's Word.
- *"For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God."* **Acts 20:27**
- A leader for God has to be faithful to proclaim God's Word and be honest with people.

Third, it takes a _____ heart.

vs. 19-21

- Verse 19 states that Samuel _____.
- *"That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death."* **Philippians 3:10**
- Leaders for God always have a heart hungering to _____. They hunger to know the Lord and His Word in a _____ way.