Sermon Notes

I Samuel 3:1-10 - 1 Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those
days; visions were not widespread. 2 At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see,
was lying down in his room; 3 the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of
the LORD, where the ark of God was. 4 Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" 5 and ran to
Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay
down. 6 The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But
he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." 7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of
the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. 8 The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli,
and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. 9 Therefore Eli said to
Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went
and lay down in his place. 10 Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel
said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

When I was 18, I felt God's call on my life. God had been calling for awhile, but I couldn't perceive it.

God called me here to Nichols Hills UMC.

God calls everyone to the work of building God's kingdom.

How do we discern God's call on our life?

Discernment Filters

1. Scripture

2. Church Community

3. Prayer

Answering a call from God can lead to wonderful adventures into the unknown.

Samuel's life was certainly filled with incredible moments of faith.

"When you are standing in a place you never thought you'd stand and doing something you thought you'd never do, then perhaps you are right where God has called you." -Rev. Dr. Ray Crawford

God has called our church to the community through our relationships with
John Marshall High School and North Highland Elementary.

What is God calling you to?

Pray about it, talk to a friend of faith, and seek God's Scripture when discerning a call.

Many times, we overthink what God is calling us to do.

Many times, God is calling us to what is right around us.

Things I would like to remember from today's sermon: _____

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