

A Heaven-sent Child

Born to Speak



“Lord Almighty, if you will only look on your servant’s misery and remember me, and not forget your servant but give her a son, then I will give him to the Lord for all the days of his life”

1 Samuel 1:11

you will be for me a *kingdom of priests*
and a holy nation

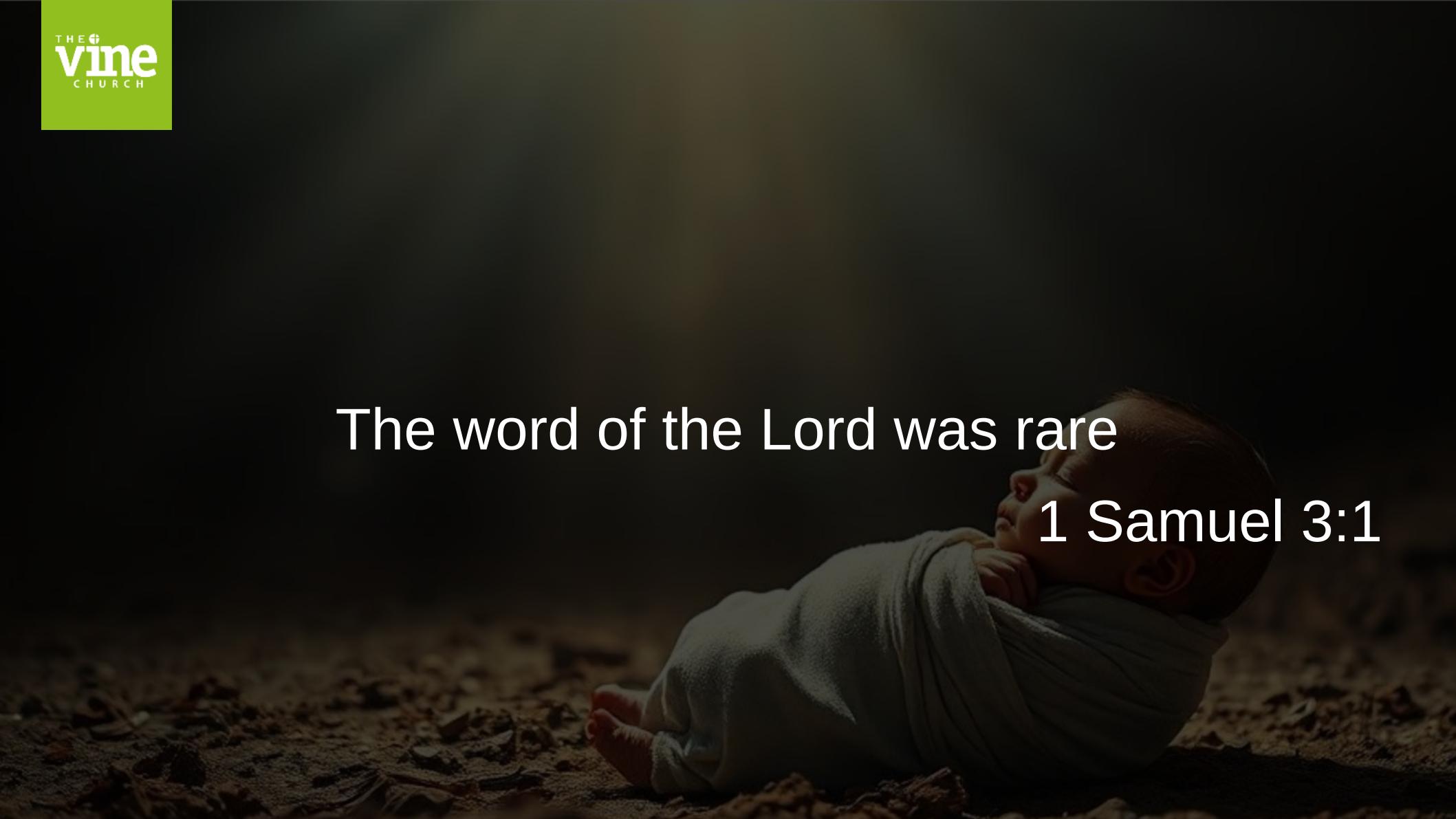
Exodus 19:5-6

I will also make you ***a light for the Gentiles,***
that my salvation may reach to
the ends of the earth

Isaiah 49:6

I appointed you as a prophet *to the nations.*

Jeremiah 1:5



The word of the Lord was rare

1 Samuel 3:1

Eli's sons... had no regard for the Lord.

This sin of the young men was very great in the Lord's sight, for they were treating the Lord's offering with contempt.

1 Samuel 2:12,17

The Lord came and stood there, calling as at the other times, “Samuel! Samuel!”

Then Samuel said,
“Speak, for your servant is listening.”

1Sam 3:11

Now Samuel was serving as *leader** of Israel.

From year to year he went on a circuit from Bethel to Gilgal to Mizpah, *judging* Israel in all those places. But he always went back to Ramah, where his home was, and there he also *held court* for Israel.

1 Samuel 7:6,16-17

All Israel... recognised that Samuel was attested
as a prophet of the Lord.

1 Samuel 3:19-21

So Samuel said to all the Israelites, “If you are returning to the Lord with all your hearts... commit yourselves to the Lord and serve him only”

1 Samuel 7:3-4

The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

Luke 1:31-35

“Why were you searching for me?” he asked.
“Didn’t you know I had to be in my Father’s
house?”

Luke 2:49

“The Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.”

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But they shouted, “Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!”

“Shall I crucify your king?” Pilate asked.

“We have no king but Caesar,” the chief priests answered.

John 19:15

He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

2 Peter 3:9

Questions for reflection:

- 1) What's the state of my relationship with God?
- 2) How can I better hear and speak God's word?
- 3) How/Am I a priest, bringing others to Christ?