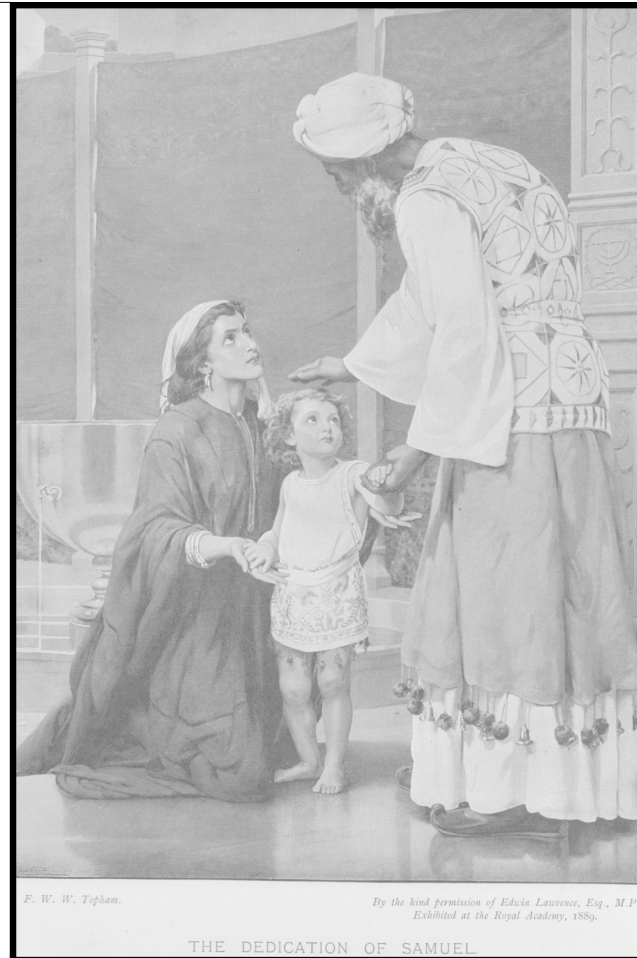


SAMUEL AS A BOY

'The child Samuel

1. The text tells us 3 things about Samuel.
 - he grew
 - he was in favour with G__
 - he was in f_____ with m__
2. **Samuel grew in height**; just like other b__ and g____. How tall are you? _____
3. **Samuel grew in strength**.
 - each year he was able to r__ faster and farther
 - each year he could do his w__ quicker and better.
 - each year he could lift heavier weights, as his hands grew str_____.
4. **Samuel grew in wisdom**. This doesn't mean that he knew a lot of things. We can have a lot of kn_____ but that doesn't make us wise. It is good to know a lot, but it is also important to know how to use what we know.
5. It is good for our bodies to g____, but it is also necessary that our souls grow.
6. Some people grow backwards instead of forwards—they were much nicer and better when they were y_____.
7. Eli was a good i_____ on Samuel as he grew, but there were also 2 potentially bad influences close to Samuel -Hophni and Phineas. Samuel was wise **not** to be influenced by them.



grew on,
& was in favour
both with
the Lord,
& also with men.'

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8. **Samuel grew in favour with God**—from the moment he trusted Christ as his Saviour, he lived as to do what was right.
9. **Samuel was also respected by everyone who knew him**. As far as he could, he lived at peace with a__ men.