



new life fellowship

Sermon Title: NextGen Sunday – Tomorrow is Now

Speakers: Richard and Rosie Villodas

Scripture: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

3 The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions.² One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. ³ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the LORD called Samuel. Samuel answered, "Here I am." ⁵ And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down.⁶ Again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." "My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down."⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸ A third time the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹ So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."
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Sermon Summary:

This Sunday, Richard Villodas, Lead Pastor, is joined by his wife Rosie Villodas, in leading today's NexGen Sunday sermon. NextGen Sunday is a time at New Life Fellowship where we reflect on the ways we are called to love, serve and hand down the faith to the next generation. Today Pastor Rich and Rosie share their hearts for what God has for us as a community as we seek to form Christ-followers in this generation.

Sermon Questions:

1. What stood out to you about the story of the Lord calling Samuel?
2. What is your experience with learning to discern God's voice?
3. Share the story of your baptism or how you were impacted by watching the baptism on Sunday.
4. Take time to pray for our NextGen ministry and the next generation growing up at New Life and in your families.