



Children's Cell NEWSLETTER

March 30, 2025

Dear Parents,

This week, we have the opportunity to explore the teachings of **“Samson and the Philistines” (Judges 13-16)**.

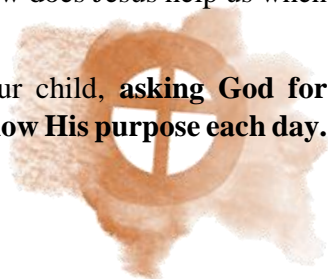
God chose Samson before he was born to help save Israel from the Philistines. God gave Samson great strength through the power of the Holy Spirit. Though he sometimes made unwise choices, God still used him for His purpose. When Samson shared the secret of his strength, he was captured. But in his final moments, he prayed for strength, and God used him to defeat the Philistines. This reminds us that true strength comes from God, and through Jesus, we receive the power to live for Him.

This message will inspire your child to grow in the love and light of Jesus. Reinforce the lesson at home by discussing the following points with your child:

- ☐ **God Has a Purpose for Us:** Samson was set apart by God from birth. How does God have a special plan for your life too?
- ☐ **True Strength Comes From God:** Samson’s power wasn’t his own. How does God give us strength through His Spirit?
- ☐ **God Works Through Imperfect People:** Samson made mistakes, but God still used him. How does Jesus help us when we mess up?

You might consider praying with your child, **asking God for strength to do what is right and to follow His purpose each day.**

Grace and blessings in Christ.





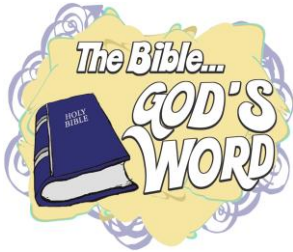
Samson and the Philistines

BIBLE PASSAGE: Judges 13-16

KEY PASSAGE: 2 Chronicles 7:14

BIG PICTURE QUESTION: *What is repentance?*

Repentance is turning away from sin and turning to Jesus.

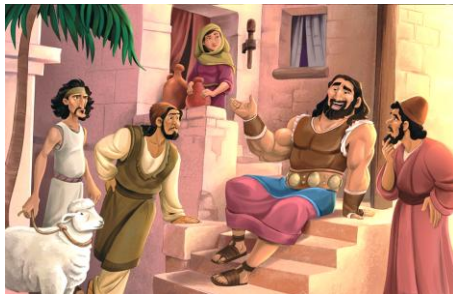


The Israelites again did what was evil in the eyes of the Lord, so He handed them over to the Philistines for 40 years. The angel of the Lord appeared to a man from the tribe of Dan and his wife. The angel gave them special instructions to prepare for the birth of their son. The angel also said, “Never cut his hair, because he will be set apart to save Israel from the Philistines.” The man and his wife had a son just as the angel said. They named their son Samson.

When Samson grew up, he decided to marry a Philistine woman. Samson and his parents went to meet her. When he went to speak with her, a young lion came roaring at Samson. The Spirit of the Lord came powerfully on him, and he tore the lion apart with his bare hands. The Lord made Samson very strong! Once, Samson used the jawbone of a donkey to defeat 1,000 Philistines. The Philistines feared Samson’s strength.

Later, Samson fell in love with a woman named Delilah. The Philistines wanted to know why Samson was so strong. They decided to pay Delilah to betray Samson.

Delilah said to Samson, “Please tell me, where does your great strength come from?”





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He replied, “If someone ties me up with seven fresh bowstrings, I will become weak like any other man.” When he was sleeping, Delilah tied him up with seven fresh bowstrings and called the Philistines to ambush him. He snapped the bowstrings as if they were yarn. Delilah was upset, because Samson had lied to her.

Twice more, Delilah asked how Samson could be defeated, and he told her two different lies. Delilah was very upset, and Samson finally told her the truth: “My hair has never been cut because I am set apart for God. If my head is shaved, I will be weak.” She had his head shaved while he was sleeping, and the Philistines captured him.

The Philistines rejoiced and thanked their false god that Samson had been defeated. They chained him between two pillars that supported a Philistine temple. Samson prayed, “God, please strengthen me once more so that I may defeat the Philistines.” He pushed against the pillars with all his might, and Samson and all the leaders of the Philistines died as the temple collapsed.

Samson’s great strength came from God alone. He had no power to defeat the Philistines on his own. We cannot please God on our own. Through faith in Jesus, people are saved from sin and receive the Holy Spirit, who helps them live to please God.

Key Passage

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**If my people who are called by my name
humble themselves, and pray and seek my
face and turn from their wicked ways,
then I will hear from heaven and will
forgive their sin and heal their land.**

« 2 Chronicles 7:14 »



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REMINDER

[Important Notice]

- ✓ Children's cell worship service starts at 12:00 noon.
- ✓ Remind your children **not to play with electronic devices or toys** such as smartphones or dolls, during our service.
- ✓ Our prayer is that the children's time spent in our church would encourage them to trust Christ as Savior, to submit to Him, and to live out the Gospel wherever they are.



"The Story of Ruth" (Ruth)



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