

Life Group Discussion Material – Sunday, May 15th Message

Heeeeere's Samson! (Judges 14)

Judges – The Cycle of Sin

1. When Samson chose a wife for himself, what was wrong with his choosing?
Read Judges 14:1-3 & Proverbs 14:12
2. Is verse 4 saying that God condoned Samson's actions or is something else at play here?
3. Has God ever used a mistake that you made or a sin that you committed to bring glory to Himself? Has He ever taken a situation that you messed up and turned it around for good?
4. In verses 5-9, Samson is tested both physically and in his character. How does he pass the test and how does he fail the test?
5. As N.T. believers, we have the Holy Spirit dwelling within us. Does this mean that we still have free will or does the Spirit overwhelm us and control us?
Read Galatians 5:16-17
6. What patterns of weakness (sin) do we see beginning to form in Samson's life?
Read verses 3, 7, 16-17
7. Read 2 Corinthians 12:7-10. What did God do to Paul in order to keep him humble? Why would God do this or what is the point to this?
8. If Samson had kept his focus on God rather than self, how might chapter 14 have started out and ended based on God's call upon Samson? (*There is no correct answer here, just have fun speculating*)