

1. When you think about Samson's story, what stands out most to you about the tension between his external strength and internal weakness? Read Together: Judges 13:24-25; Judges 14:1-3
 - a. Follow-Up Questions:
 - i. Why do you think Samson's life started with so much promise but drifted so quickly?
 - ii. What are some examples today of people who appear strong on the outside but are struggling internally?
 - b. **Supporting Scripture:** 1 Samuel 16:7, Matthew 23:27-28
2. Samson had a clear calling from God, but calling alone didn't guarantee faithfulness. What does that teach us about spiritual growth? Read Together: Judges 13:3-5
 - a. Follow-Up Questions:
 - i. Why is it dangerous to assume that talent, experience, or position equals spiritual maturity?
 - ii. Have you ever seen someone start strong spiritually but slowly drift? What caused that drift?
 - b. **Supporting Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 9:24-27, 2 Timothy 4:7
3. Samson's downfall began with private compromise. Why are small compromises so dangerous? Read Together: Judges 14:5-9
 - a. Follow-Up Questions:
 - i. What are some common compromises believers rationalize today?
 - ii. What practices help bring hidden struggles into the light?
 - b. **Supporting Scripture:** James 1:14-15, Luke 16:10
4. Much of Samson's conflict was driven by ego and revenge rather than God's mission. Where do pride and self-centeredness show up in everyday life? Read Together: Judges 15:7-11
 - a. Follow-Up Questions:
 - i. What happens when our focus shifts from God's purposes to protecting our pride?
 - ii. What does humility look like in practical terms?
 - b. **Supporting Scripture:** Galatians 5:25 & John 15:4-5



5. Even though Samson was flawed, God still worked through him. What does this teach us about God's grace? Read Together: Judges 15:14-19

a. Follow-Up Questions:

iv. Why do people sometimes feel like their past disqualifies them from being used by God?

iv. How does God's grace differ from simply ignoring sin?

iv. What biblical examples remind us that God works through imperfect people?

b. **Supporting Scripture:** Romans 5:20, 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

