

JUDGES

CHAOS & REDEMPTION

Pt 7: Samson, Strong but Undisciplined (5/24/26)

Judges 13:1 Again the people of Israel did what the Lord said was wrong. So he handed them over to the Philistines for forty years.

:2 There was a man named Manoah from the tribe of Dan, who lived in the city of Zorah. He had a wife, but she could not have children. 3 The angel of the Lord appeared to Manoah's wife and said, "You have not been able to have children, but you will become pregnant and give birth to a son.

:4 Be careful not to drink wine or beer or eat anything that is unclean, 5 because you will become pregnant and have a son. You must never cut his hair, because he will be a Nazirite, given to God from birth. He will begin to save Israel from the power of the Philistines."

3 Spiritual Truths we learn from Samson's life

1) Your gifts are for God, not for selfish indulgence

James 4:7 So give yourselves completely to God. Stand against the devil, and the devil will run from you.

Romans 12:1 And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you.

...Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him.

:2 Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think.

Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

2) Character is as important as gifting

Great gifting without character leads to self-destruction

Galatians 5:16 So I tell you: Live by following the Spirit. Then you will not do what your sinful selves want. 17 Our sinful selves want what is against the Spirit, and the Spirit wants what is against our sinful selves. The two are against each other, so you cannot do just what you please.

1 John 2:16 These are the ways of the world: wanting to please our sinful selves, wanting the sinful things we see, and being too proud of what we have. None of these come from the Father, but all of them come from the world.

Things to help us say 'no' to the flesh

1 Thessalonians 5:22 Abstain from all appearances of evil.

Job 31:1 "I made a covenant with my eyes;"

Romans 13:14 "... make no provision for the flesh to fulfill its lusts."

Luke 9:26 If people are ashamed of me and my teaching, then the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his glory and with the glory of the Father and the holy angels.

3) God's grace can bring redemption after failure

Psalms 51:17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.

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