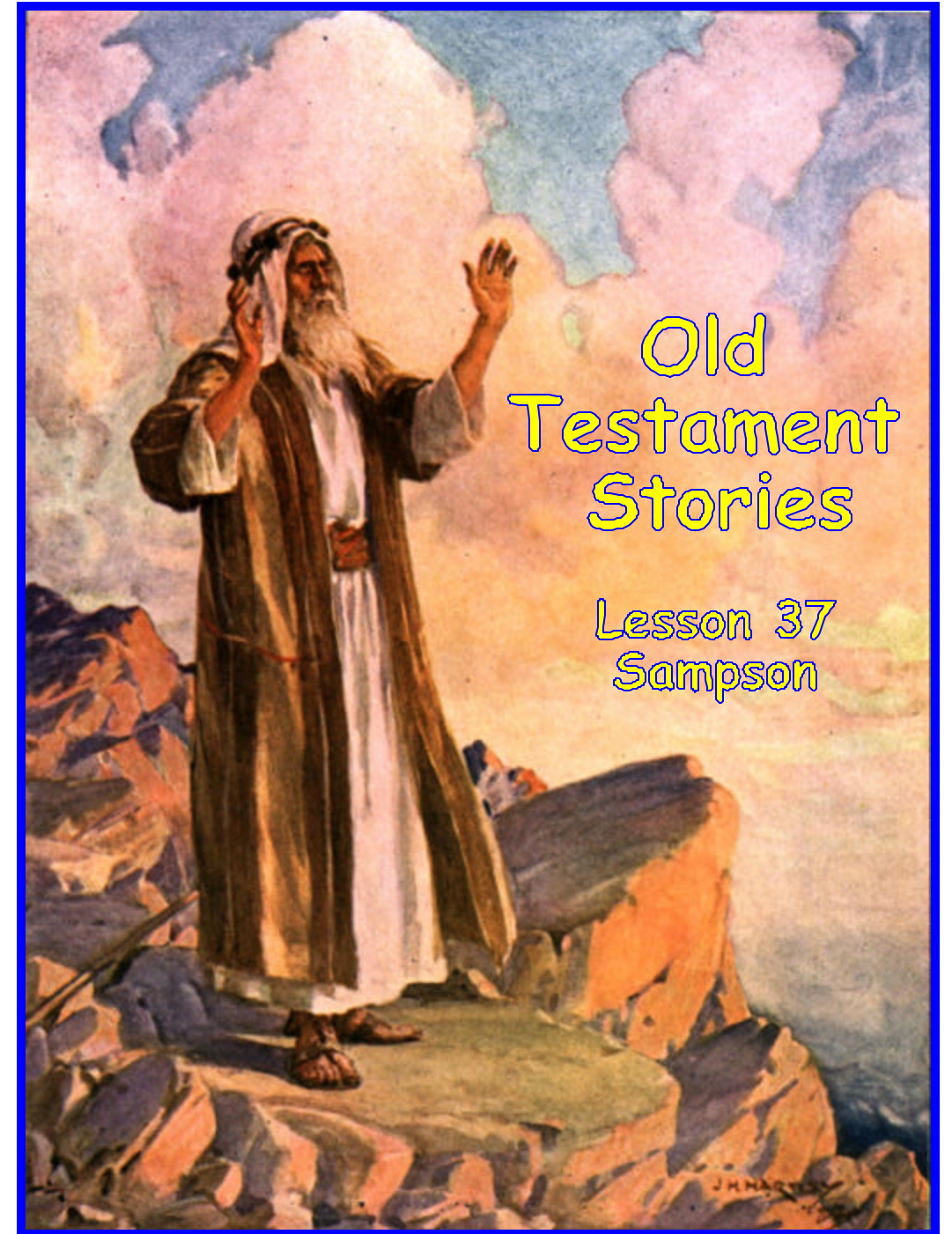
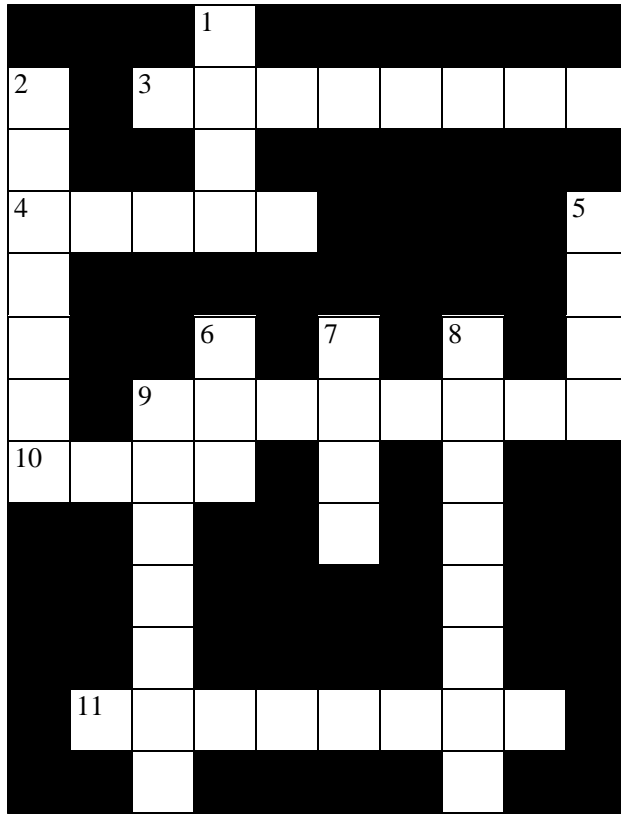


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ACROSS

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- 4** And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven _____ of my head with the web. 14 And she fastened it with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson.
- 9** And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was _____ from him.
- 10** So the dead which he _____ at his death were more than they which he _____ in his life.
- 11** There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man.

DOWN

- 1** And Samson said unto her, If they bind me with seven green withs that were never dried, then shall I be _____, and be as another man.
- 2** And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer me that I may feel the _____ whereupon the house standeth, that I may lean upon them.
- 5** Entice him, and see wherein his great strength lieth, and by what means we may prevail against him, that we may _____ him to afflict him:
- 6** If they bind me fast with _____ ropes that never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.
- 7** Now there were men lying in _____, abiding with her in the chamber. And she said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson.
- 8** There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my _____ will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man.
- 9** And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name was _____.

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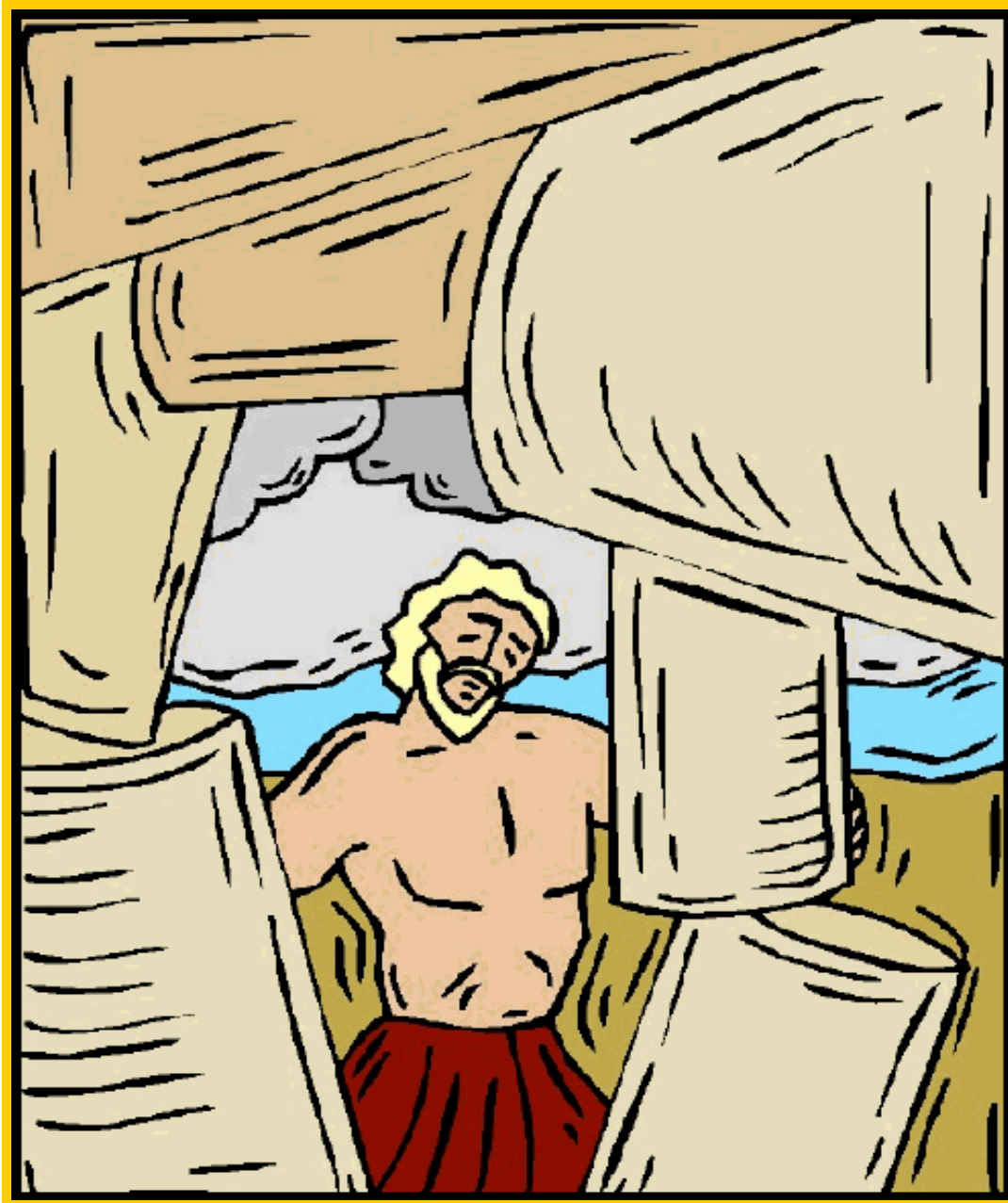
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Sampson



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DEPARTED
NAZARITE
STRENGTH

11 Letters
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Judges 16 : 4—31

4 And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah. 5 And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength lieth, and by what means we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to afflict him: and we will give thee every one of us eleven hundred pieces of silver. 6 And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength lieth, and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict thee. 7 And Samson said unto her, If they bind me with seven green withs that were never dried, then shall I be weak, and be as another man. 8 Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green withs which had not been dried, and she bound him with them. 9 Now there were men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber. And she said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he brake the withs, as a thread of tow is broken when it toucheth the fire. So his strength was not known. 10 And Delilah said unto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: now tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound. 11 And he said unto her, If they bind me fast with new ropes that never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another man. 12 Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And there were liers in wait abiding in the chamber. And he brake them from off his arms like a thread. 13 And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web. 14 And she fastened it with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web. 15 And she said unto him, How canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart is not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength lieth. 16 And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, so that his soul was vexed unto death; 17 That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man.

Bible Quiz

18 And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand. 19 And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him. 20 And she said, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him. 21 But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house. 22 Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again after he was shaven. 23 Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together for to offer a great sacrifice unto Dagon their god, and to rejoice: for they said, Our god hath delivered Samson our enemy into our hand. 24 And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said, Our god hath delivered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our country, which slew many of us. 25 And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that he may make us sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house; and he made them sport: and they set him between the pillars. 26 And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may lean upon them. 27 Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines were there; and there were upon the roof about three thousand men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport. 28 And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes. 29 And Samson took hold of the two middle pillars upon which the house stood, and on which it was borne up, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left. 30 And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines. And he bowed himself with all his might; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that were therein. So the dead which he slew at his death were more than they which he slew in his life. 31 Then his brethren and all the house of his father came down, and took him, and brought him up, and buried him between Zorah and Eshtaol in the buryingplace of Manoah his father. And he judged Israel twenty years.

1. Where in the scriptures is this story found?
2. Sampson loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, what was her name?
3. What type of deal did the Philistines have with this woman?
4. What was the first thing Sampson said would make him weak, and be as another man? What happened next?
5. What was the second thing Sampson said would make him weak, and be as another man? What happened next?
6. What was the third thing Sampson said would make him weak, and be as another man? What happened next?
7. And when Sampson finally told her all his heart? What happened then?
8. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was _____ from him.
9. And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, _____ me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes.
10. And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines. And he bowed himself with all his might; and the _____ fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that were therein.
11. T or F So the dead which he slew at his death were more than they which he slew in his life.

Memory Verses

Judges 16:20

I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself.
And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him.

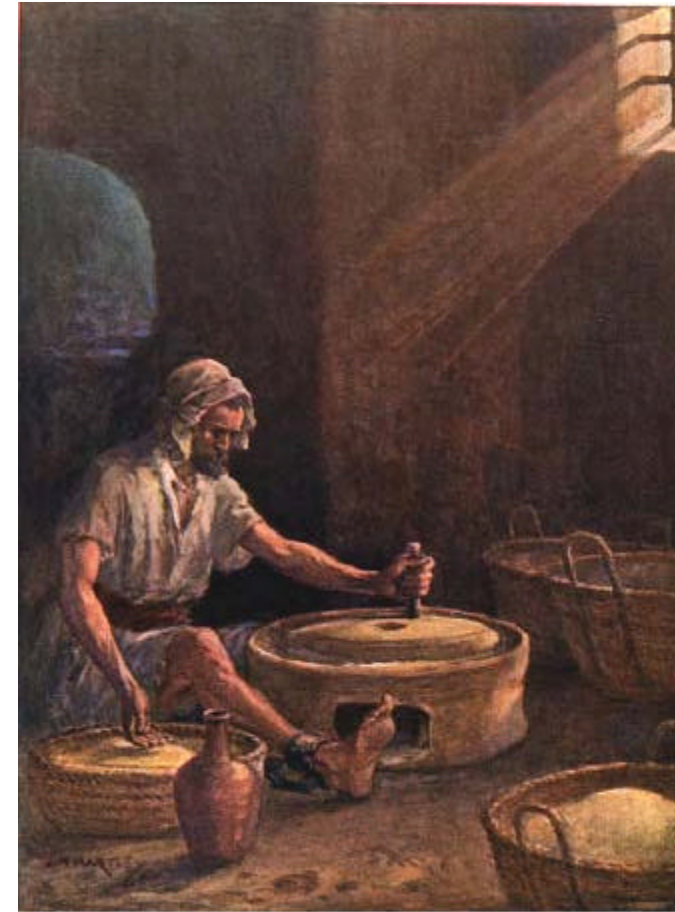
Judges 16:28

And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes.

Key Points

- 1. Do not have relationships with the enemy, he will surely lead you into sin and destruction.**
- 2. Sin will cause the Holy Spirit to depart from you without your knowing.**
- 3. Without the presence of the Holy Spirit, you have no guide, you can't see, with Sampson this was both physical as well as spiritual.**
- 4. God in his mercy restored his sight and avenged him of his enemies.**

Sampson



Samson - of the sun, the son of Manoah, born at Zorah. The narrative of his life is given in Judg. 13-16. He was a "Nazarite unto God" from his birth, the first Nazarite mentioned in Scripture (Judg. 13:3-5; comp. Num. 6:1-21). The first recorded event of his life was his marriage with a Philistine woman of Timnath (Judg. 14:1-5). Such a marriage was not forbidden by the law of Moses, as the Philistines did not form one of the seven doomed Canaanite nations (Ex. 34:11-16; Deut. 7:1-4). It was, however, an ill-assorted and unblessed marriage. His wife was soon taken from him and given "to his companion" (Judg. 14:20). For

this Samson took revenge by burning the "standing corn of the Philistines" (15:1-8), who, in their turn, in revenge "burnt her and her father with fire." Her death he terribly avenged (15:7-19). During the twenty years following this he judged Israel; but we have no record of his life. Probably these twenty years may have been simultaneous with the last twenty years of Eli's life. After this we have an account of his exploits at Gaza (16:1-3), and of his infatuation for Delilah, and her treachery (16:4-20), and then of his melancholy death (16:21-31). He perished in the last terrible destruction he brought upon his enemies. "So the dead which he slew at his death were more [in social and political importance=the elite of the people] than they which he slew in his life."

Devotional

Sampson

To me this is one of the saddest stories in the Bible for more than one reason, but in the end God shows the readers of this great story of His mercy, grace, and love for man.

Sampson is a judge in Israel and he is a hero to the people because of his great victories over the Philistines. He is able to defeat the Philistines because of his God-given strength. But with this great strength Sampson began to get arrogant, (Pride cometh before the destruction, and a haughty spirit before the fall.), and He began to disobey the same God that had given him this great strength, and to be foolish in his ways of life.

Thus enters into the story Delilah, his love, from the valley of Sorek. Sampson lets his heart be taken away, once again not living for God, disobeying His word, "Be ye not unequally yoked". God has always told his chosen race Israel, not to give their heart to another other than his people.

The Bible says, "5 And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength lieth, and by what means we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to afflict him: and we will give thee every one of us eleven hundred pieces of silver." Delilah quickly agrees and tries to trick Sampson to reveal the secret of his great strength, and by the third try she succeeds. Sampson in his self pride arises as before only to realize that God was not with him, "And he wist not that the LORD was

departed from him. "Sampson is capture, he has his eyes put out by the Philistines and is put in prison bound with brass chains grinding on a millstone.

This story should warn us all about pride and self reliance and about walking away from God's ways. It should teach us about sin and that it has lasting consequences. It should give us a healthy fear of our God, and help us to guard and treasure what he has given us, especially so great a salvation, never giving an opportunity that the Lord would depart from you.

But the story is not quite over yet, while in prison Sampson's hair is growing back. The lords of the Philistines gathered the people together to honor Dagon their God, and they wanted to make sport of Sampson. As they were bringing Sampson out into the arena he asked a young lad to place him between the two main pillars. He prayed to God to strengthen him so he could avenge his two eye. God answered his prayer and Sampson pushed the two pillars until they collapsed and killed all the people, "So the dead which he slew at his death were more than they which he slew in his life."

God being so merciful and loving gave Samson a second chance, a restoration, and a renewed presence. God does this again and again throughout the Bible, and this same God, who loves you beyond measure, will do the same for you, again and again!