

Leaders & Losers

Samson – Destined For Greatness

But...

Judges 13:1-25

Samson was the Strongest man who ever lived, yet was also the Weakest.

Samson's life reveals the Sad Consequences of demanding your Own Way.

Samson is a Good Example of what a Believer should NOT be. (James 1:8)

Let's begin by looking at the DETAILS surrounding the BIRTH of Samson.

1. THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF SAMSON'S BIRTH. (vv.1-5)

- Notice, It Came As A HEAVENLY Announcement.
- This "Angel of the Lord" is a Pre-Bethlehem, Pre-incarnate Appearance of the Lord Jesus Christ. (another "Christophany" {Chap. 6})
- It Also Came As A HOPEFUL Announcement.
- God ALWAYS has a PLAN to Revive & Restore His people.

2. THE ARRANGEMENTS OF SAMSON'S BIRTH. (vv. 6-14)

- These Arrangements Involved A MIRACLE. (God Sent a BABY)
- You may Think no one Cares about YOU or what you're Facing but God in Heaven has His eye on YOU...(Matthew 10:29-31)
- These Arrangements Also Involved A MANDATE. ("WOMB to the TOMB")
- When the Lord Saved US, He Purchased US, we're His Property & we're to Be Separated "unto" the Lord.
- The Arrangements of His Birth Also Involved A MINISTRY.
- Parents, you just Never Know Who God is calling you to RAISE.

3. THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF SAMSON'S BIRTH. (vv.15-25)

- The REALIZATION Of Samson's Birth. (v.24a)
- God ALWAYS Keeps His Promises!
- Sometimes we can Do our Best & our children may still NOT Turn Out as we had hoped.
- The RELATIONSHIP Of His Birth. (v. 24b)
- "the Spirit of the Lord began to Move upon him..."

- How sad it is ***When WE Fail to Live Up to our Potential in the Lord!!***
- ***OUR Duty is to Be Where God wants us, Doing What He wants us to do.***
- ***What does YOUR Relationship with the Lord look like?***
- ***Christian, What does YOUR Relationship with the Holy Spirit look like?***