The Romance Of Samson & Delílah Judges 16:4-14

Samson & Delilah's story stands as a Constant Warning to those who Play with SIN.

There may be "<u>Pleasure</u> in sin for a <u>Season</u>," but in the <u>End</u> sin is <u>Never Worth</u> the <u>Pleasure</u> it <u>Provides</u>.

1. THEIR ROMANCE WAS BUILT ON LOVE (vv. 4-5)

- Samson Loved a WOMAN.
- Samson is Always Attracted to women God said was Off-Limits.
- When we <u>Step Outside</u> of God's Boundary of <u>Marriage</u> to fulfill our Sexual Desires, we <u>CROSS</u> the Line into <u>SIN</u>. (1 Cor. 6:18; Matt. 5:27-28; 1 Thess. 4:3, 7)
- Delilah Loved WEALTH.
- The "lords of the Philistines" want Delilah to "Act like an Innocent Person in order to Deceive Someone Else." ("entice")
- Delilah Didn't Care about Samson...He was just her Lottery Ticket.
- The Lord doesn't want us <u>Falling</u> into the <u>TRAPS</u> laid by <u>Modern Day <u>Delilah's</u> & by the <u>Devil</u>. (1 Cor. 10:13)
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2. THEIR ROMANCE WAS BUILT ON LIES (vv. 6-14)

- Samson's Lies Were SENSELESS.
- The <u>Problem</u> with SIN is...People <u>Play</u> with it. (Matt. 12:34-35)
- When we **PLAY with sin**, we are always **Headed for a FALL**.
- Delilah's Lies Were SINISTER.
- Delilah was <u>Playing Him</u> like a <u>Cheap Fiddle</u>.
- Delilah <u>Begged</u>, <u>Pleaded</u>, <u>Whined</u> & <u>Cried</u> day after day, all day long until finally, she <u>Wore Samson</u> down.
- Delilah is a <u>Picture</u> of How <u>SIN</u> <u>Works</u> in Our Lives.
- Sin will <u>Hammer Away</u> at Your <u>Resistance</u> until YOU Give In...
- The <u>Best Advice</u> is to <u>put as Much Distance</u> as you can between <u>Yourself</u> & the <u>Sources</u> of Sin & Temptation in your life.
- Playing with SIN is like playing with FIRE: you will eventually get Burned!