

Scripture reading: Judges Chapters 13to 16

Samson - Committed sin after sin and was suddenly destroyed

The angel of the lord appeared to Manoah's wife who was barren and said to her, "Now you are barren and have borne no children, but you shall conceive and bear a son. No razor shall come upon his head. For the child shall be a Nazarite to God from the womb". To be separated from the time of his birth and to live in absolute obedience to God was the whole meaning of it. This child was Samson. Samson got married to a philistine woman. When his parents objected his decision to marry an ungodly foreign woman, he said that she was pleasing to his sight. Dear children, we should learn to search all things to see if it is pleasing to God. We should also learn to give heed to the counsel of our parents. Having despised these Godly values and being led by his own desires, Samson's end was pathetic.

Question:

What were the acts of Samson? How did he die?

Answer:

With God's help, he tore a lion apart as one would have torn a young goat, though he had nothing in his hand. He caught 300 foxes, turned the foxes tail to tail and put a torch between each pair. In doing so, he destroyed the field of the enemy. He killed a thousand men with a jaw bone of a donkey. He was such mightily used by God. But, because of the sinful desire he had over Delilah, he revealed to her the secret of his strength. She said it to the philistines and made him sleep upon her lap and shaved off the hair on his head. Samson therefore broke the covenant between him and God. There was no more power in Samson. The philistines conquered him at ease and put out his eyes before imprisoning him. Dear children, just as Delilah, we too have sinful emotions in us such as anger, bitterness, envy, lust and the like. We should read the bible and follow all that is written in there. Your life should never be like Samson's, who started out bright but whose end was pathetic. We should always shine brighter and brighter for God's glory.

"Teach me to do your will, for you are my God; may your good Spirit lead me on level ground." Psalms 143:10

Prayer:

Father, help us to never give room for sin in our life. You rule and reign all the aspects of our life Lord. Amen.