

## **The Promise: "Following His Own Passions"**

**Judges 13:1-5**

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### **I. God can use anyone to accomplish His will.**

1. God has a plan for your life.
2. God will lead us.

### **II. God purposes to save sinners.**

The deep-reaching effects of man's depravity:

1. Sin has affected the brain - Romans 1:28
2. Sin has affected our conscious - Hebrews 9:14
3. Sin has made the heart deceitful - Jeremiah 17:9
4. Sin is born in the heart - Mark 7:20-23
5. Sin is deep-seated and total - Romans 3:9-18
6. Because of sin our works are like filthy rags - Isaiah 64:6

### **LET'S GO DEEPER:**

1. What are the many ways in which the culture impacted Samson, his parents, and Israel while Samson was God's appointed Judge?
2. What do we learn about how God works in Judges 13-16?
3. In what ways did Samson suffer as a result of chasing after the desires of his heart?
4. How does the story of Samson foreshadow Jesus and the gospel? Why is it important to recognize the parallels between the things we read about in the Old Testament and Jesus' life, ministry, and second coming?