

Sermon Guide



“Jesus, the True and Better Samson”

October 22, 2023

Judges 16:28-30

1. **RD said this about living a consecrated life: “It’s not about trying harder– it’s about surrender.”** How does surrender help us become empowered to live consecrated lives? Also share an example from your life.
2. **RD said that we are asleep to the spiritual battle going on around us. Think of your own understanding and beliefs about spiritual warfare.** In what ways do you feel awake and/or asleep to the spiritual battle raging around you?

Prayer Prompt:

We only had two questions in this guide to leave time for prayer. Often, we cannot go deeper into consecration without addressing the slavery and strongholds of sin. RD said that we often aren’t aware of the spiritual battle going on around us. We feel it’s effects and the effects of our enslavement to sin. Is there an area you feel held in bondage by sin? Or caught up in the fierce spiritual battle? Spend some time talking and praying about what keeps you from yielding. Here are some examples: What lies is the enemy telling you? What lies do you believe? What fear is standing in the way? What false promises is sin making? What false identity are you operating under? What accusations might you believe?

Then, spend time in prayer doing two things: pray for freedom in the name and authority of Jesus, and invite the Holy Spirit to come empower you to yield those areas to Him. Close in silence, asking Him to speak.