ROCK WOMEN



WEEK SEVENTEEN

SAMSON

DAY 1

- 1. Begin your study time with prayer.
- **2.** Read Judges 13:1-5. In verse one who is oppressing the Israelites, why has this come to pass, and how long has their rule lasted?
- 3. What does verse five say that Samson will be?
- 4. A Nazirite is someone who has taken a vow, usually for a set time, to devote themselves to God. In Numbers 6:1-8, what things must Nazirites abstain from because they are set apart to the Lord?
- 5. While we are not Nazirites, we are also called to be set apart to the Lord. What does 1Peter 1:14-16 call us to be/do?
- 6. Conforming to the world is easy; living set apart is hard. What does Romans 12:1-2 say is our spiritual act of worship, and by what means do we fight against conforming to this world? Is your life more reflective of one who is set apart or of one who conforms to the world?
- 7. Write out this week's memory verse on a notecard or a piece of paper, and post it somewhere you will see it often (e.g bathroom mirror, car, desk, kitchen sink, etc.).

Scripture Memory:

As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; because it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

~1 Peter 1:14-16

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DAY 2

1. Begin your study time with prayer. In Judges 14:1-3, what does Samson see and what does he want?
2. Why do you think his parents express concern over this desire? (See Exodus 34:12-16 & Deuteronomy 7:1-4). Why does the Lord permit this in Judges 14:4?
3. Read Judges 14:5-14. What challenge does Samson propose at his wedding feast?
4. How does Samson's wife finally convince him to give her the answer in Judges 14:15-17?
5. Where does Samson get the changes of clothes in Judges 14:18-20, and what happens to his wife?
6. Write out this week's memory verse below:
DAY 3 1. Begin your study time with prayer. What does Samson decide to do in Judges 15:1-2, and why is he stopped?
2. What does Samson do in response in Judges 15:3-5?
3. What happens to his wife in Judges 15:6-8, and what does Samson do to the Philistines?
4. Understandably, the Philistines are angry and seek Samson's life. In Judges 15:9-20, who came upon Samson and how does he escape the wrath of the Philistines?
5. Write out this week's memory verse below:

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DAY 4

1. Begin your study time with prayer. What seems to be a weakness for Samson, according to Judges 14:1-3, 1 and 16:4?
2. What does Delilah want him to tell her in Judges 16:4-14, and what does Samson do? What finally convinces him to tell her the truth in Judges 16:15-17?
3. Read Judges 16:18-21. What happens when Delilah cuts Samson's hair, and what horrifying reality was Samson unaware of in verse twenty?
4. What marked the end of the Nazirite vow in Numbers 6:13 & 18, and why do you think the cutting of Samson's hair resulted in the removal of the power of God from his life?
5. Write out this week's memory verse below:
DAY 5
1. Begin your study time with prayer. What does Judges 16:22 say, and how does this inspire hope for Samson
2. God is a God who redeems brokenness and grants grace to the wreckage of our lives. Read Isaiah 44:22, and 55:7. How do these verses both speak to Samson's life, and also offer encouragement for ours?
3. Read Judges 16:23-27. What do the Philistines want with Samson, and how many of them are there? What is Samson's final prayer, and how does this story end in Judges 16:28-31?
4. In what ways does Samson demonstrate faith? How does his life convict, challenge, or encourage you?
5. Write out this week's memory verse below: