



SMALL GROUP FELLOWSHIP: March 16, 2003

ROCK East: We will be meeting **Thursday, March 27** at San Diego First Assembly, 8404 Phyllis Place, in the Chapel at 7:00. This meeting is for EVERYONE, so if you're in the East, we want to see you there!

ROCK South: Mark your calendar! If you are an Apprentice, Host, or Facilitator we will be expecting you to join us on **Saturday, March 22** for an informational meeting and breakfast, 8:00 A.M. at Jimmy's Family Restaurant, 1900 E. Plaza Blvd. We want you to come ready to learn, grow, and share your needs with our leadership team! R.S.V.P. LeviG@therocksandiego.org or call 858.455.7625 x242.

Title: Not Like Any Other Man

MEMORY VERSE: If I am shaven, then my strength will leave me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man. Judges 16:17

SERMON REFLECTIONS

1. Are you called? We have to decide today that God has called us, no matter what trials or obstacles are before us (**Romans 11:29**). We have to persevere until we achieve the calling God has on our lives. What Biblical example can you recall of someone who faithfully fulfilled his or her calling in the face of adversity? How have you done this in your own life?
2. Sampson got his incredible strength from the spirit of the Lord (**Judges 14:6-9**). Where do you get your strength? (**2 Samuel 22:33, 1 Chronicles 16:11, Psalm 18:32**). By what power are you living your life today? Discuss ways that you can get away from your own strength, and tap into God's strength.
3. Sometimes God wants to bless us with things that are in His will, but we have to be obedient in order to receive the blessing. In **Judges 13:3-5**, Sampson's mother was obedient in following the instruction from the Angel of the Lord, and God blessed her (**Judges 13:24**). Share with your accountability partner something that God has been telling you, but you haven't obeyed. Spend some time praying how you can take action today!

CLOSER WALK (Romans)

1. What did Paul conclude about his nature (inner man) and his lifestyle in **Romans 7:18-25**? How important is the next verse (**Romans 8:1**) in light of the insight Paul provides? Can you accept this truth?
2. Many *believers* feel God is against them. What do the following verses tell you about God and how He views you? **Romans 8:1, 8:31-32, and 8:35-39**.

HOMEWORK

Week two of the Christian Life & Witness Course had some awesome homework – be sure to share the “Steps to Peace with God” pamphlet with two non-believers this week!!! Also, continue to pray for the person(s) God wants you to bring to Mission San Diego!