



Not Like Any Other Man

Judges 13-16

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I. THE SEPARATE-NESS OF SAMSON'S LIFE

- A. Nazarite: Separated or consecrated to God for a special purpose; the crowned one.
- B. A Nazarite vow: Voluntary separateness, for a specific _____ time period, in most cases.
1. They did not drink the fruit of the vine _____.
 2. They did not cut _____ their hair.
 3. They did not come into contact with a corpse _____.
- C. Three men were Nazarites for life:
1. John the Baptist - Anointed messenger _____; Luke 1
 2. Samuel - Anointed leader _____; 1 Samuel 1
 3. Samson - Anointed judge _____; Judges 13

II. THE SPECIAL-NESS OF SAMSON'S BIRTH

- A. Samson was called a Nazarite from the womb. Judges 13:5
- B. Samson's mother, like the mothers of John and Samuel, was barren _____ and given a son for a special purpose _____. Eph. 1:3-5
- C. Samson's mother received a divine visit from the Angel of the Lord. Judges 13:17-22

III. THE SUPERNATURAL-NESS OF SAMSON'S POWER

- A. He killed a lion _____ with his bare hands. Judges 14:6-9
- B. He killed 30 men _____, then took their clothes to pay off a bet. v. 14:19

- C. He caught 300 foxes and burned grain fields. v. 15:4-5
- D. He killed 1,000 men with a donkey jawbone. v. 15:14-16

Remember: Samson knew _____ where his strength came from and that it made him different.

Judges 16:11 "... then I shall become weak, and be like any other man."

See Matt 11:7-11

Do you know how to access what God has for you?

Great strength is available to all of us. Acts 1:8
Many of us are powerless _____ Samsons.

IV-THE SADNESS OF SAMSON'S DOWNFALL 16:6-21

Four warnings for the powerless Samson:

- A. Samson did not honor _____ and protect his strength.
Guard _____ your heart. Proverbs 4:23
Your spiritual vow and commitment is sacred _____ to God.
- B. Samson was unequally yoked with Delilah. 2 Corinthians 6:14
The enemy does not always look _____ like the enemy.
- C. Samson took God's grace for granted.
Are you thankful _____ for what God has done in your life?
- D. Samson allowed himself to be vexed _____.
Avoid exposure _____ to temptation. Psalms 1:1
Satan is patient and persistent _____.

ARE YOU A POWERLESS SAMSON?

MAKE A VOW AND KEEP IT