

Vindictive, Self-Absorbed, Emotionally-Immature, Sexually-Addicted Man (14:1 – 15:20)

A Philistine Woman

Judges 14:1-3

Where was Samson going and why?

What did he see along the way? How did he react to this sight?

What were the cultural customs for parent-child relationships? What concern should we have here about how he speaks to his parents?

For what reasons were Samson's parents against him marrying a Philistine? Was this an issue of racial prejudice?

Inter-faith coexistence is becoming more and more prevalent in the world today. It is socially unacceptable to consider Christianity as the Only, True Way to God. What are some examples of how the church has tried to 'coexist' with the world, but instead found that she has surrendered to the world?

God at Work through Sin

Judges 14:4

What does God do when his people are losing their identity in the world because they look so much like the world?

A Lion, a Bet, and a Woman

Judges 14:5 – 15:8

***What happened on Samson's return trip to Timnah (14:5-6)?
Why did he not tell his mother and father what happened?***

Read Judges 14:10-20. What happens at the wedding celebration for Samson and the Philistine woman? How does this reveal his true nature?

What did Samson discover when he returned to fetch his wife?

How is Samson able to do all these mighty things? (14:6, 19)

Leadership without Peace

Judges 15:10-20

What is the result of Samson's actions in the first half of Judges 15?

What did Samson do in verse 18 that the Bible had never recorded him doing before?
