Samson: A Man with Problems Judges 14: 1-2

Intro: Child of promise – gone sour
Insight into life of Sampson. A baby with great
promise. GIFT FROM GOD. Special vows.
Special strength.

A DELIVERER FROM THE Philistines.

## \*\*\*\*\*Samson Compromised:

- -He married an unbeliever (4:1-2)
- -Noticed a young Philistine woman
- -"She caught my attention"

"I want to marry her"

Parents "Can't you find someone in your clan?"

"She is the one I want! I LIKE HER!"

# \*\*\*\*\* He disrespected his parents (Vs 3-4).

"Get her for me; I want to marry her!"
Can't you find one of our people?"
"She is the one I want—Get her for me
I LIKE HER!"

### \*\*\*\*\*Disregarded his commitment to God. (V5-10)

- -N0 intoxicating drink or unclean food.
- Killed lion later ate honey inside carcass.
- -Stagg drinking party.
- -Never go near a dead body Dead lion.
- Do not cut hair

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*Uncontrollable anger (v11-20)

- -Drinking party Riddle
- finagled answer
- -costly loss 30 suits of clothes 30 dead men
- -donkey's jawbone 1000 men killed

## \*\*\*\* His immoral Daily life

Hello, I love you Delila -Prostitutes -drinking

## \*\*\*\*\* Self-centered - Over-confident

Every woman was able to get answers
Out of him.

A LITTLE BITTY TEAR LET ME DOWN

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*Samson could have been:

Powerful Killed 30 men killed many Philistines

Burned up Philistine's harvest Carried doors of the gate Brought the house down

A leader - for his real life

**GOD'S JUDGE/DELIVERER** 

# **Life lessons**

Keep your promises to God
Walk with Him daily----grow.
Honor your father and mother
Parents take charge of rearing your
Children "Train up a child in the way
He should go, and when he is old,
He will not depart from it"
(Proverb 22: 6 kjv)