

**There Was No King in Israel**  
**Samson: Grace Even in the Darkest Night Pt 1**  
**Judges 13-14**

The Dark Night of the Soul

The Birth of Samson 13:1-25

- A \_\_\_\_\_ in the darkness
- Samson \_\_\_\_\_ from birth
- “he shall bring to deliver”

God Seeks \_\_\_\_\_ 14:1-4

\_\_\_\_\_ always wins 14:5-11

Sin starts small but sin \_\_\_\_\_ the senses, \_\_\_\_\_ us deeper, and eventually steals our \_\_\_\_\_.

A Riddle and a \_\_\_\_\_ 14:12-20

**My Response:**

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**Discussion Questions**

What do you think about when you read that in the midst of the darkest time in Israel’s history God is still working behind the scenes of history to help them?

What does it tell you about Manoah and his wife that they respond so readily to the Angel of the Lords message? Is it possible to be a light in the midst of darkness?

Read I Samuel 7. When you compare the life of Samson and the life of the last judge Samuel what do you find? Why is one of them a failed judge and the other successful?

How is Samson’s choice of a wife the beginning of a long life of compromise and failure for him?

How does Samson drag his parents into his own sinfulness even without their knowledge in verse 9? How do our sins often bring problems for others?

Samson is a man of sinful appetite (sexuality, drink, violence). What are you hungry for and where is it leading you?