

Sermon Outline: “Samson – A Hero Or A Rogue Scoundrel!”

Judges 13-16

16/02/20

Bushrangers

Samson – his birth foretold

Samson his marriage

Samson – his flaws

Samson – his death

Samson – a type of Christ or not

To ponder over a cuppa with a friend:

What is a Nazarite?

In what ways is Samson like Christ? In what ways is he not like Christ?

Is Samson a hero or a scoundrel?

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1. What do we know of Samson?
2. Who announced the birth of Samson? What other birth announcements were made this way?
3. What instructions was Samson’s mother given? How was Samson to be raised?
4. What is involved in a Nazarite vow? (Numbers 6:1-21)
5. Why was such a vow undertaken?
6. What are we to make of the work of the Spirit in Samson’s life? How could the Spirit operate in such a scoundrel’s life?
7. What do we know of Samson’s first wife? What became of her? What did Samson learn from this marriage? How could such a marriage be part of God’s purposes? Who should a Christian marry?
8. What is the point of the riddle? What vow did Samson break in going to the lion carcass?
9. Was Samson a womaniser? What do we know of Samson’s second wife? How could Samson have guarded himself against the wiles of the women in his life?
10. What was the source of Samson’s strength?
11. In what ways is Samson like Christ? In what is he not like Christ?
12. Is Samson a hero or a scoundrel? What can we learn of God in our study of Samson?