

WEEK 2

CONVERSATION GUIDE

SAMSON



THIS SERIES: GROWN UP CHILDREN STORIES

THE BIG IDEA

Doing what is right in the Lord's eyes, not your own, will lead you to faithfully following God.

THE BIBLE

Judges 13:5, 16:28
Judges 13-16 Samson's Story

Jesus Connection

- Birth Story, similar to Jesus. Angel shows up to say coming child. Similar to Jesus' story, show up to Mary
- Betrayed for silver & taken away bonded
- Blinded/ Blindfolded

1. **Icebreaker:** Share your favorite childhood superhero and why you loved them.
2. **Series Introduction:** What are your thoughts on exploring "Grown Up Children Stories"? How does it feel transitioning from childhood versions to a deeper understanding of these stories/characters?
3. **Samson's Story:** Reflect on the children's Bible version of Samson's story. What surprised you or stood out in the adult version that wasn't in the children's Bible?
4. **Samson's Background:** Summarize Samson's background and his unique Nazarite vow. How did these factors shape his life?
5. **Strength and Sight:** Discuss Samson's strength and his struggle with doing what is right in his own eyes. How did his physical strength sometimes lead him away from faithfulness?
6. **Samson's Downfall:** Explore Samson's moments of disobedience and how they contributed to his downfall. How can we learn from his mistakes in our own lives?
7. **Sovereignty of God:** What does "Sovereignty of God" mean, and how did it play a role in Samson's story? Share instances in your life where you've seen God's sovereignty at work.
8. **Gospel Connections:** Examine the connections between Samson's story and Jesus. How does Samson's birth story resemble Jesus', and what similarities do you see in their experiences?
9. **Application:** How can we apply the main point, "Do what is right in the Lord's eyes, not your own, will lead you to faithfully following God," to our lives? Share practical ways to focus on God's will over personal desires.
10. **Closing Thoughts:** Reflect on the idea that it's never too late to cry out to God and allow Him to use you. How can this encourage and inspire us in our faith journeys?

WHO IS YOUR ONE?