

the MCBC

Real People: Stories of Faith and Failure



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Small Group Discussion Questions

Samson: God redeems even when we fail.

Scripture Reading: Judges 15:1-20

1. Did you feel that God was speaking to you at any point during the sermon? Was there a particular point or application that stood out?
2. Samson's moral weaknesses led to his downfall. It is important to recognize where you struggle and what temptations the enemy uses to tempt you. What steps can believers take to protect themselves against areas where they are weak?

3. Read Judges 16:20-22 and Read Romans 6:1. Samson took for granted that God would always be with him no matter how he acted. How can believers gauge if they are truly seeking forgiveness or just using God's grace to live how they want?
 4. If you could rewrite Samson's story, what would his life look like if he truly lived to honor God? What great impact could he have had?
 5. Consider your own life. Is there anything God is prompting you to do or believe based on the discussion today? Share this with your group.
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Optional Questions:

1. Read Judges 16:28. Finally, at the end of Samson's life he cried out to God. Read Hebrews 11:32. Samson is mentioned for his faith. What can you learn about God and His desire to use you despite your mistakes?
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Prayer:

1. Pray for those facing temptation in this season of COVID. Pray that God will give them strength to not compromise.
 2. Pray for someone that you know who is far from the Lord right now and needs to return to Him.
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Challenge:

The story of Samson is found in Judges chapters 13-16. Take time this week to sit and read the whole story of Samson.
