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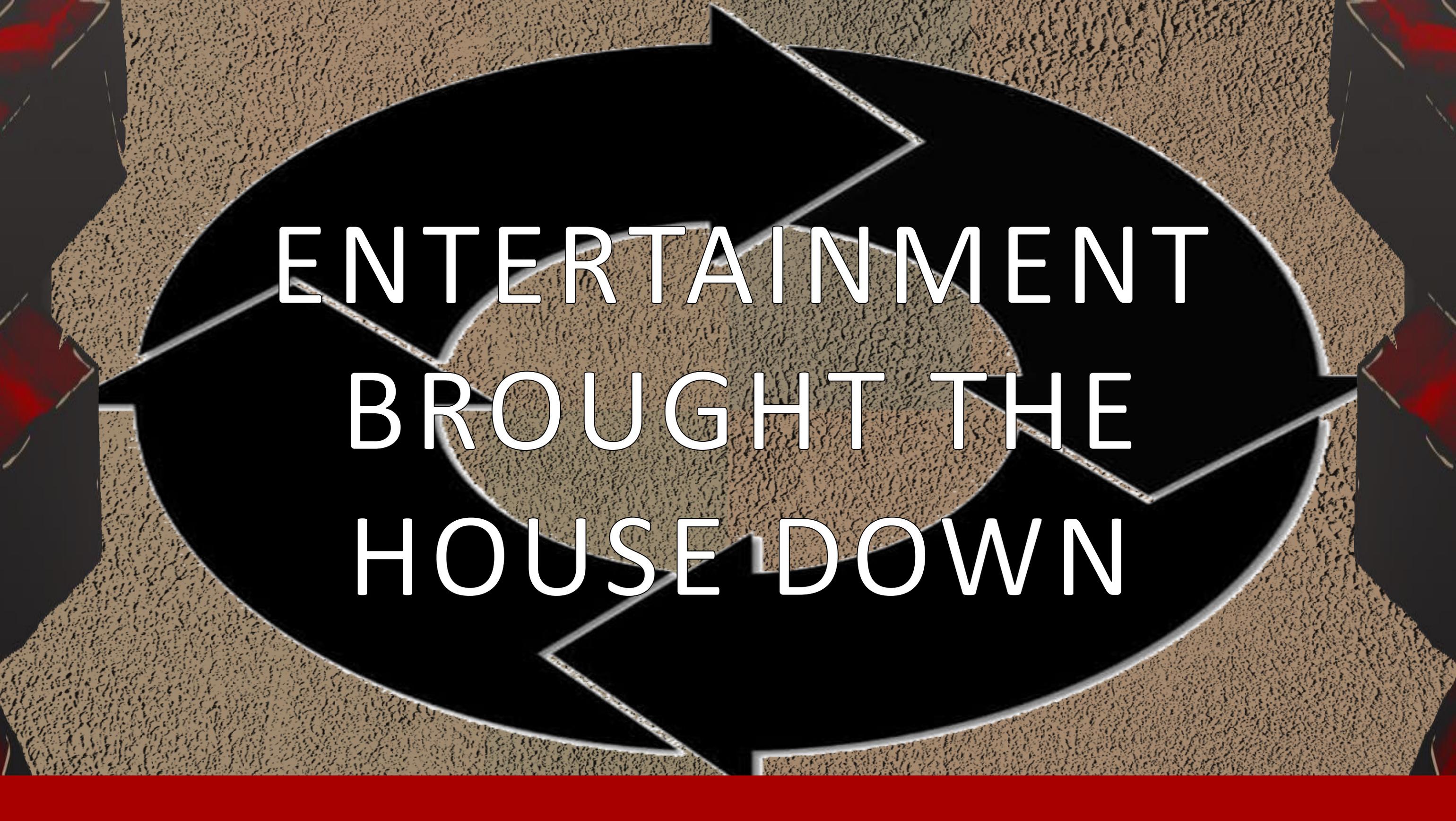
Coulda

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But Didn't

# Judges 16:23-31





ENTERTAINMENT  
BROUGHT THE  
HOUSE DOWN

Judges 16:23-24

The following event  
happens some time  
following Samson's  
imprisonment



The 5 lords of the  
Philistines throw a party  
& invite some of their  
friends to honor their god  
(Dagon)



They attribute this  
victory over Samson  
to their fake god



Outwardly Samson had  
been set apart, but  
inwardly Samson struggled  
to surrender



Samson's over indulging  
appetite had brought him  
to such a lowly place



Judges 16:25

Gaza was known for being  
a place of eating & drinking  
& dancing & music



So after overly indulging  
& probably being drunk,  
they call for Samson to  
entertain them



Judges 16:26

Think about it, Samson lost his eyesight & now Samson was dependent on a little boy to lead him around



Samson asks this little boy  
to prop him up against  
the load bearing wall



Judges 16:27

The words used for  
“men & women”  
are different in this verse



1<sup>st</sup> Occurrence=  
distinguished people  
(in the house)

2<sup>nd</sup> Occurrence=  
common people  
(3,000 on the roof)



# Judges 16:28

A decent amount of time  
passes & it's now that  
Samson called out to  
the Lord



Samson asks the Lord  
to one more time fill  
him with strength

Judges 16:29

Judges 16:30



In this final act, Samson  
killed more Philistines than  
he had in his entire lifetime.

Judges 16:31



SO WHAT?

