

# Judges 14:1-11

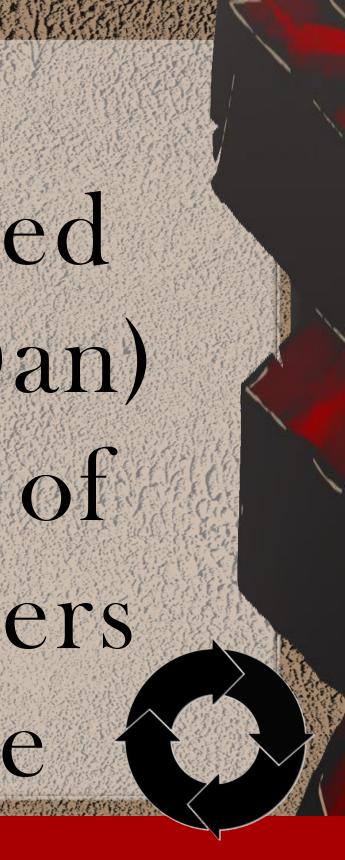


# Samson, the

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# Judges 14:1-2 Philistines had invaded Timnah (an area of Dan) & 1 of the daughters of these Philistine invaders caught Samson's eye



#### It's pretty clear it WASN'T this young woman's personality that caught Samson's attention (it was her looks)



# God gave a clear warning about intermarrying with

#### foreign nations



# However, intermarrying with the Philistines was NOT expressly forbidden (Deut. 7:1-3)



I personally believe this revealed a lifelong vice of Samson – a lack of self-control (wanting instant gratification) Judges 14:3a



# Samson (who was set apart fc the Lord) desiring to be married to a woman who's family worshiped Dagon (a false god) DOESN'T jive (it just seems off)



# Judges 14:3b Despite Samson's parents' concerns (which are valid) Samson demands to proceed to marry her



# Judges 14:4 God took Samson's misguided desires & used them ultimately for good



# We serve a Supremely Sovereign God. NOTHING thwarts God's will & desired end Judges 14:5



# Judges 14:5 Getting so close to the vineyard seems like Samson putting himself as close to the line as possible without going over (dangerous)



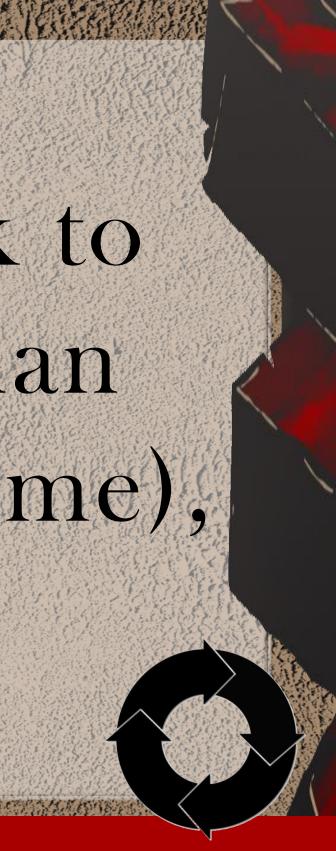
# With his parents apparently somewhere near Timnah, Samson (on his own) comes across a roaring, young lion Judges 14:6



# Samson had NOTHING in his hands (he was barehanded) & it's believed. he grabbed hold of the lion's throat & tore it out Judges 14:7



### Judges 14:8 On Samson's way back to marry this young woman (which was after some time), Samson stops by the dead lion



# Inside this skeleton, bees built a hive filled with honey

Judges 14:9



#### Samson started being sneaky & secretive, which is ALWAYS a recipe for disaster (wrong mindsets ofter lead

#### to wrong actions)



# Are you seeing things devolving in Samson's life? Samson goes from daydreaming; to dangerously. close; to dabbling; to disregarding



