

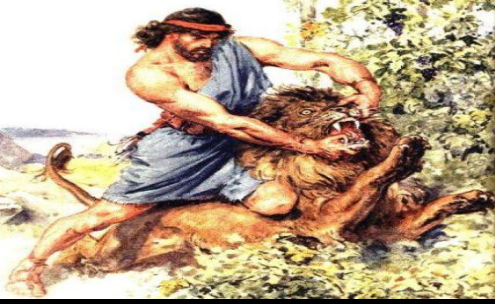


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Judges 14-16

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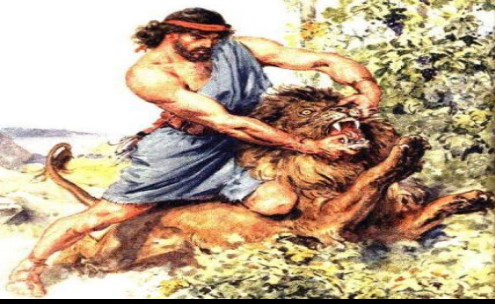


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What do Samson, David, and Solomon have in common about their demise?

Israel was given to the Philistines for 40 years, Samson was promised to deliver Israel out of the hands of the Philistines. What spiritual lessons can we get from this account?

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Samson will lose his strength when the razor cuts his hair. How does this compare to the mark of the beast?

Psalm 52:2 Thy tongue deuiseth mischiefes: like a sharpe razor, working deceitfully.

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Symbol	Verses	Meaning
Bed	Prov 26:14, Eze 23:41, Heb 13:4	Bible, Idol
Bees	Psalm 118:10-12	Children of Pride
Eye	Prov 17:24, Ecc 8:16	Wisdom
Fire	Ps 11:6, Ps 29:7, Is 30:27	Words
Fox	Eze 13:4, Lam 5:18	False Prophet
Fruit	Prov 8:19, Gen 3:6	Wisdom
Great City	Rev 17:18, 11:8, 18:10 Jon 1:2	Rome (Babylon, Ninevah, Egypt, Sodom)
Hair	Ex 36:14, 1 Cor 11:15	Covering
Harlot	Isa 1:21, Jer 5:7, Rev 17:5	False Church
Honey	Prov 25:27	Words
House	Gal 6:10, Heb 3:2	Faith, Bible
Kinswoman	Prov 7:4	Understanding
Leviathan	Job 41, Eze 29, Rev 11:8	Pope, Pharaoh, Prince of Babylon, Antichrist
Mark	Job 10:14, Lam 3:12, 1 Sam 20:20	Spiritual Seal of Acknowledgement
Mother	Prov 7:4	Understanding, Church
Tail	Isa 9:15, Jud 15:4	False Prophet
Tares	Mat 13:48, 50	Children of Pride
Thunder	Job 37:5, Ps 18:13	Voice
Tongue	Job 6:30 Psalm 52:2	Taste, Discernment Razor
Tree	Ps 37:35,	Man
Vessel	Ps 31:12, Prov 25:4, Jer 27:16	Person, Ship, Bible
Young Lion	Eze 32:2	Antichrist, Leviathan, Pharaoh, Pope

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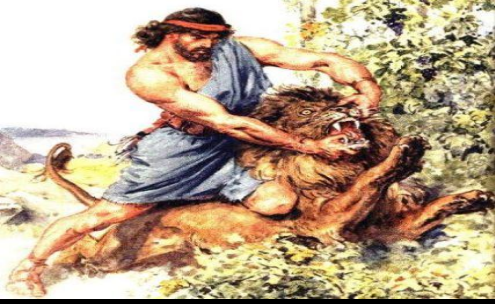


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1 And Samson went down to Timnath, and sawe a woman in Timnath, of the daughters of the Philistines. (Prov 2:16, 7:9)

2 And hee came vp, and told his father and his mother, and said, I haue seene a woman in Timnath, of the daughters of the Philistines (Rev 11:8): nowe therefore get her for me to wife.

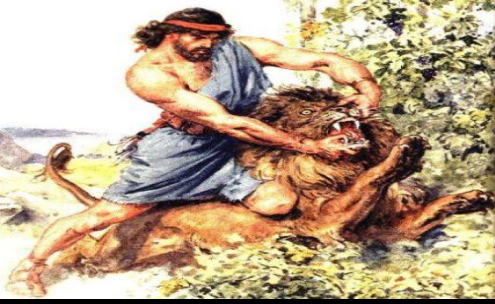
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3 Then his father and his mother said vnto him, Is there neuer a woman among the daughters of thy brethren, or among all my people, that thou goest to take a wife of the vncircumcised (Jer 4:4, Rom 2:29) Philistines? And Samson said vnto his father, Get her for me, for shee pleaseth me well.

4 But his father and his mother knew not that it was of the Lord, that hee sought an occasion against the Philistines: for at that time the Philistines had dominion ouer Israel.

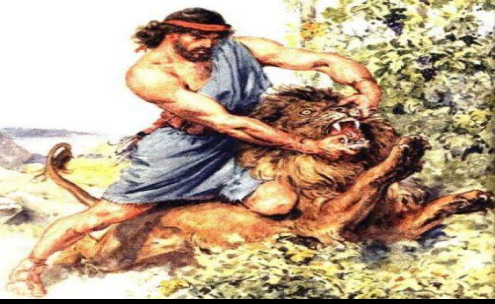
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5 Then went Samson downe, and his father & his mother, to Timnath, and came, to the vineyards of Timnath: and behold, a young Lion (1 Peter 5:8, Ezekiel 32:2, Job 41, Jer 4:7) roared against him.

6 And the Spirit of the Lord came mightily vpon him, and hee rent him as he would haue rent a kid, (Mark 9:17-19) and he had nothing in his hand: but hee told not his father or his mother what hee had done.

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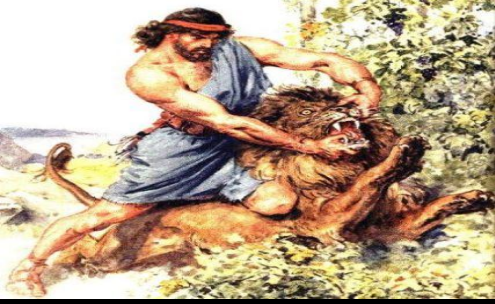


7 And hee went downe and talked with the woman, and she pleased Samson well.

8 And after a time hee returned to take her, and he turned aside to see the carkeis (Isaiah 14:19, Job 39:30,) of the Lion: and beholde, there was a swarme of Bees (Psalm 118:10-12), and honie (Psalm 119:103, Prov 25:16) in the carkeis of the Lion.

9 And hee tooke thereof in his handes, and went on eating, and came to his father and mother, and hee gaue them, and they did eate: (Prov 25:27) but he told not them that he had taken the hony out of the carkeis of the Lion.

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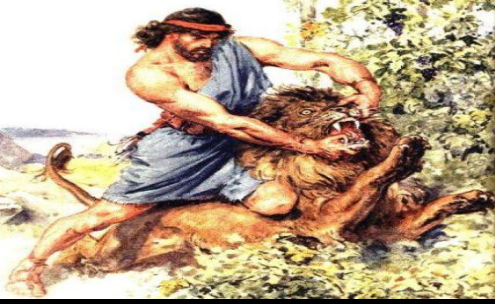


10 So his father went downe vnto the woman, and Samson made there a feast: for so vsed the young men to doe.

11 And it came to passe when they saw him, that they brought thirtie companions (Job 41:6) to be with him.

12 And Samson said vnto them, I will now put foorth a riddle vnto you: if you can certainly declare it me, within the seuen dayes of the feast, and finde it out, then I will giue you thirtie sheetes (Acts 10-11), and thirtie change of garments:

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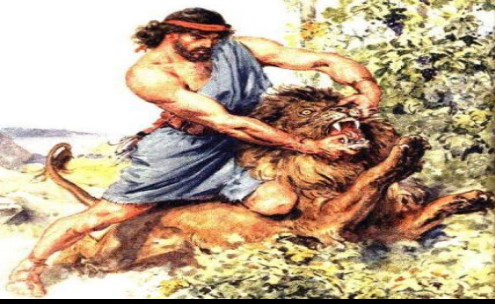


13 But if ye cannot declare it me, then shall yee giue me thirtie sheetes, and thirtie change of garments. And they said vnto him, Put foorth thy riddle (Ezekiel 17), that we may heare it.

14 And hee said vnto them, Out of the eater came foorth meate (Eze 29:5), aud out of the strong came foorth sweetnesse (Song of Solomon 2, 5.) And they could not in three dayes expound the riddle.

15 And it came to passe on the seuenth day, that they said vnto Samsons wife, Entice thy husband, that hee may declare vnto vs the riddle, lest we burne thee and thy fathers house with fire (Prov 26:21): Haue yee called vs, to take that wee haue? is it not so?

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16 And Samsons wife wept before him, and said, Thou doest but hate me, and louest me not: thou hast put foorth a riddle vnto the children of my people, and hast not tolde it me. And hee said vnto her, Behold, I haue not tolde it my father nor my mother, and shall I tell it thee?

17 And shee wept before him the seuen dayes, while the feast lasted: and it came to passe on the seuenth day, that he tolde her, because shee lay sore vpon him: and she tolde the riddle to the children of her people. (Psalm 52:2)

18 And the men of the city said vnto him on the seuenth day before the sunne went downe, What is sweeter then honie? and what is stronger then a Lion? And he said vnto them, If ye had not plowed (Job 4:8) with my heifer (Prov 11:22, Jer 46:20), yee had not found out my riddle.

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19 And the Spirit of the Lord came vpon him, and hee went downe to Ashkelon, and slewe thirtie men of them, and tooke their spoile, and gaue change of garments vnto them which expounded the riddle, and his anger was kindled; and hee went vp to his fathers house.

20 But Samsons wife was giuen to his companion, whom hee had vsed as his friend. (Prov 6:22-25)

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1 But it came to passe within a while after, in the time of wheat haruest, that Samson visited his wife with a kid, and he said, I will goe in to my wife into the chamber. But her father would not suffer him to goe in.

2 And her father saide, I verily thought that thou haddest vtterly hated her, therefore I gaue her to thy companion: is not her younger sister fairer then she? take her, I pray thee, in stead of her. 3 And Samson said concerning them, Now shal I be more blamelesse then the Philistines, though I do them a displeasure. 4 And Samson went and caught three hundred foxes, and tooke firebrands, and turned taile to taile, and put a firebrand in the midst betweene two tailes. 5 And when hee had set the brands on fire, he let them goe into the standing corne of the Philistines, and burnt vp both the shockes, and also the standing corne, with the vineyards and oliues.

Samson and the Foxes



Eze 13:4 O Israel,
thy prophets are like the
foxes in the deserts.

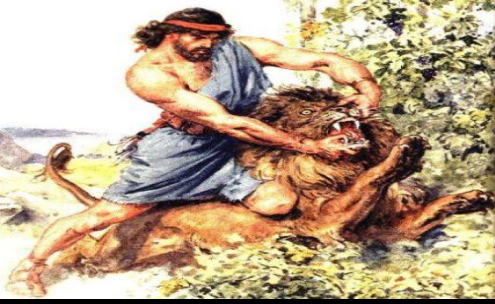
Luke 13:34 O Hierusalem,
Hierusalem, which killest
the Prophets, ...

Isaiah 9:15 The ancient
and honourable, hee is
the head: and the prophet
that teacheth lies, he
is the taile.

Prov 26:18 As a mad man, who
casteth firebrands, arrowes, and
death:

Song of Solomon 2:16 Take vs
the foxes, the litle foxes, that
spoil the vines: for our vines
haue tender grapes.

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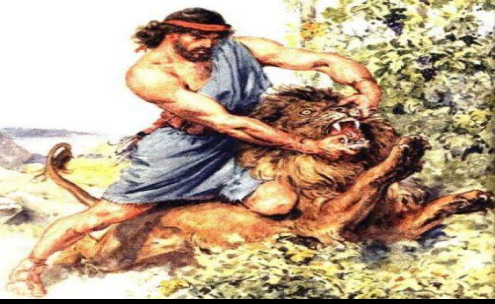
Rev 4:5 And out of the Throne proceeded lightnings, and thundrings, and voyces: and there were seuen lampes of fire burning before the Throne, which are the seuen Spirits of God.

Rev 18:8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine, and she shall bee vtterly burnt with fire, for strong is the Lord God, who iudgeth her.

Ezekiel 16

Isaiah 5

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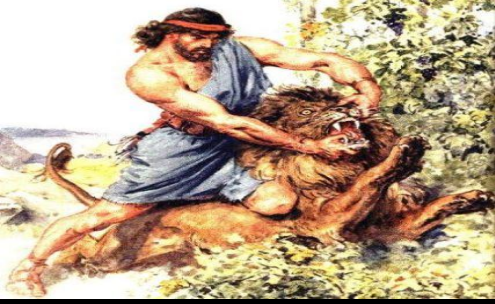


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6 Then the Philistines saide, Who hath done this? and they answered, Samson the sonne in law of the Timnite, because hee had taken his wife, and giuen her to his companion. And the Philistines came vp, and burnt her and her father with fire. 7 And Samson said vnto them, Though ye haue done this, yet will I be auenged of you, and after that, I wil cease. 8 And he smote them hip and thigh, with a great slaughter; and hee went down and dwelt in the top of the rocke Etam.

9 Then the Philistines went vp, and pitched in Iudah, and spread themselues in Lehi. 10 And the men of Iudah said, Why are ye come vp against vs? and they answered, To bind Samson are we come vp, to doe to him, as he hath done to vs.

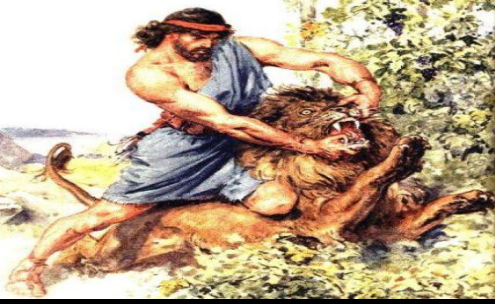
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11 Then three thousand men of Iudah went to the top of the rock Etam, and said to Samson; Knowest thou not that the Philistines are rulers over us? What is this that thou hast done unto us? And he said unto them, As they did unto me, so have I done unto them. 12 And they said unto him, Wee are come downe to binde thee, that we may deliuer thee into the hand of the Philistines. And Samson said unto them, Swear vnto me, that yee will not fall vpon me your selues. 13 And they spake vnto him, saying; No: but wee will binde thee fast, and deliuer thee into their hand: but surely we will not kill thee. And they bound him with two new cordes, and brought him vp from the rocke. 14 And when he came vnto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the Spirit of the Lord came mightily vpon him, and the cordes that were vpon his armes became as flaxe that was burnt with fire, & his bands loosed from off his hands. 15 And he found a new iawbone of an asse, and put forth his hand, and tooke it, and slewe a thousand men therewith.

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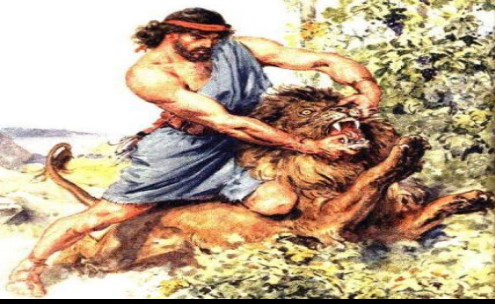


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16 And Samson said, With the iawbone of an asse, heapes vpon heapes, with the iaw of an asse haue I slaine a thousand men.

17 And it came to passe when he had made an end of speaking, that hee cast away the iaw bone out of his hand, and called that place Ramath-Lehi. 18 And hee was sore athirst, and called on the Lord, and said, Thou hast giuen this great deliuerance into the hand of thy seruant: and now shall I die for thirst, and fall into the hand of the vncircumcised? 19 But God claue an hollow place that was in the iawe, and there came water thereout, & when he had drunke, his spirit came againe, and he reuiued: wherefore hee called the name thereof En-hakkore, which is in Lehi, vnto this day: 20 And he iudged Israel in the dayes of the Philistines twentie yeeres.

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1 Then went Samson to Gaza, and saw there an harlot (Proverbs 7, Rev 17, 18), and went in vnto her. **2** And it was told the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither. And they compassed him in, and layd wait for him all night in the gate of the citie, and were quiet all the night, saying, In the morning when it is day, we shall kill him. **3** And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and tooke the doores of the gate of the city, and the two posts, and went away with them, barre and all, and put them vpon his shoulders, and caried them vp to the toppe of an hill that is before Hebron.



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4 And it came to passe afterward, that he loued a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah. **5** And the lords of the Philistines came vp vnto her, and said vnto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength lieth, and by what meanes we may preuaile against him, that we may bind him, to afflict him: and we will giue thee euery one of vs, eleuen hundreth pieces of siluer. **6** And Delilah said to Samson, Tel me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength lyeth, and wherewith thou mightest be bound, to afflict thee. **7** And Samson said vnto her, If they binde mee with seuen greene withs, that were neuer dried, then shall I be weake, and be as another man.

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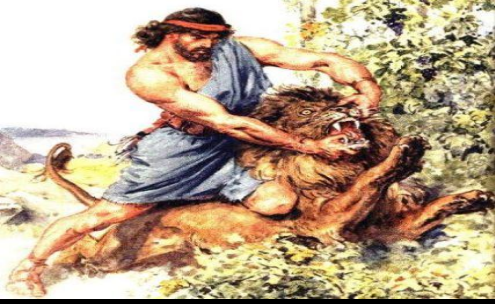
**Prov 6:24 To keepe thee from the euill woman,
from the flatterie of the tongue of a strange woman.**

Enticements of the Harlot today:

1. Lexicons re-define words
2. Biblical Scholarship
3. Apologetics
4. Seminary Education rather than holy Ghost
5. Cannot count number of the beast
6. All bibles are good translations but have errors
7. We do not need to worry about what the bible says
8. We do righteous acts
9. We strive to be Christ-like
10. Pick and choose belief-abstain from alcohol but overeating is OK
11. Identity of Babylon not important, Rome is OK now



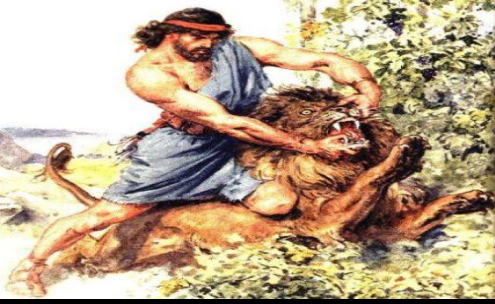
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8 Then the lords of the Philistines brought vp to her seuen greene withs, which had not bene dried, & she bound him with them. **9** Now there were men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber: and she said vnto him, The Philistines be vpon thee, Samson. And he brake the withs, as a threed of tow is broken, when it toucheth the fire: so his strength was not knowen. **10** And Delilah said vnto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told mee lies: now tell mee, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound. **11** And he said vnto her, If they bind me fast with newe ropes that neuer were occupied, then shall I bee weake, and be as another man. **12** Delilah therefore tooke new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said vnto him, The Philistines be vpon thee, Samson. (And there were liers in wait abiding in the chamber.) and hee brake them from off his armes, like a threed.

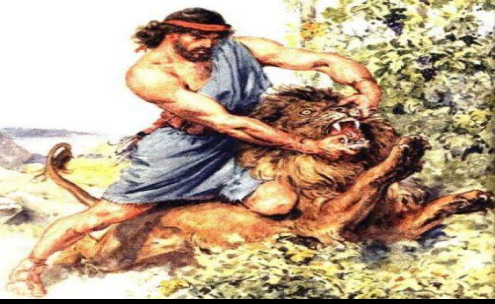
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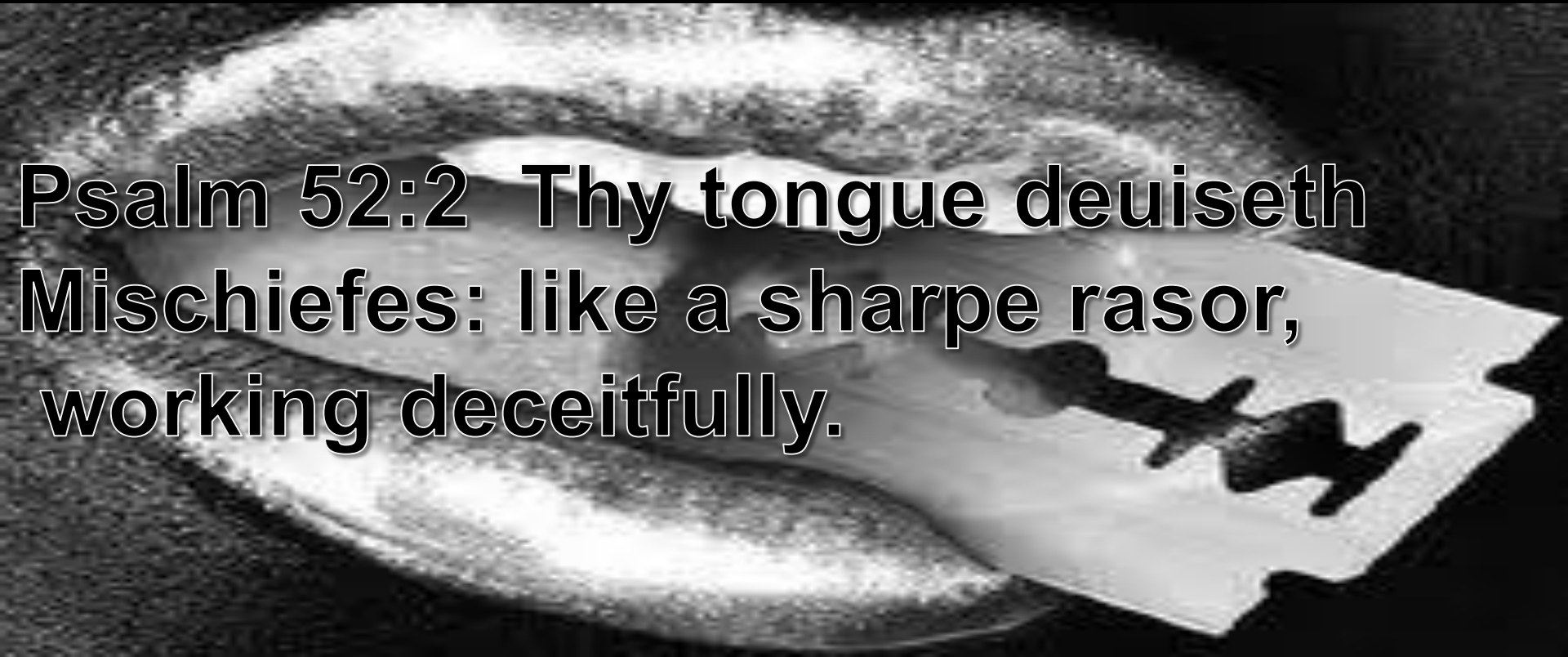
13 And Delilah said vnto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said vnto her, If thou weauest the seuen lockes of my head with the web. **14** And she fastened it with the pinne, and said vnto him, The Philistines be vpon thee, Samson. And hee awaked out of his sleepe, and went away with the pinne of the beame, & with the web. **15** And shee said vnto him, How canst thou say, I loue thee, when thine heart is not with mee? Thou hast mocked mee these three times, and hast not told me wherin thy great strength lieth. **16** And it came to passe, when she pressed him daily with her wordes, and vrged him so that his soule was vexed vnto death, **17** That he told her all his heart, and said vnto her, There hath not come a razor vpon mine head: for I haue bene a Nazarite vnto God from my mothers wombe: If I bee shauen, then my strength will goe from me, and I shall become weake, and bee like any other man.

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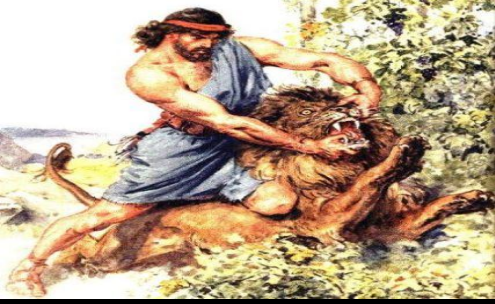


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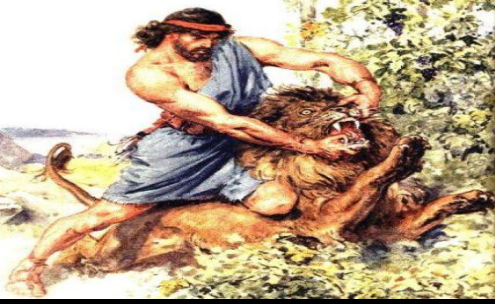


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18 And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the Lords of the Philistines, saying, Come vp this once, for hee hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came vp vnto her, & brought money in their hand.

19 And she made him sleepe vpon her knees, and she called for a man, and she caused him to shaue off the seuen lockes of his head, and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him. **20** And she said, The Philistines be vpon thee, Samson. And hee awoke out of his sleepe, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake my selfe. And he wist not that the Lord was departed from him. **21** But the Philistines tooke him and put out his eyes, and brought him downe to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brasse, and he did grind in the prison house.

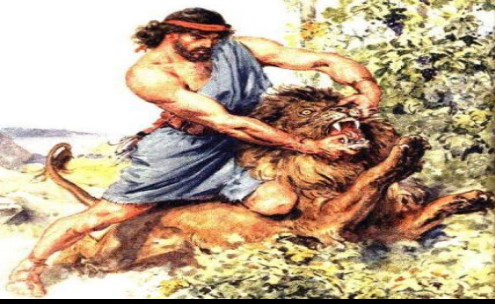
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Romans 11: 7 What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for, but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded, 8 According as it is written, God hath giuen them the spirit of slumber: eyes that they should not see, and eares that they should not heare vnto this day. 9 And Daud sayth, **Let their table be made a snare**, and a trap, and a stumbling block, and a recompense vnto them. 10 Let their eyes be darkened, that they may not see, and bow downe their backe alway.

Psalms 69:21 They gave me also gall for my meat; and in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.²² **Let their table become a snare** before them: and that which should have been for their welfare, let it become a trap.²³ Let their eyes be darkened, that they see not; and make their loins continually to shake.

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22 Howbeit, the haire of his head began to grow againe, after he was shauen.

23 Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together, for to offer a great sacrifice vnto Dagon their god, and to reioyce: for they said, Our god hath deliuered Samson our enemy into our hand. **24** And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said, Our god hath deliuered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our cuntry, which slew many of vs. **25** And it

came to passe when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that hee may make vs sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house, and he made them sport, and they set him betweene the pillars. **26** And Samson said vnto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer mee, that I may feele the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may leane vpon them.

27 Now the house was full of men and women, and all the lords of the Philistines were there: and there were vpon the roofe about three thousand men and women, that behelde while Samson made sport.

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28 And Samson called vnto the Lord, and said, O Lord God, remember me, I pray thee, & strengthen mee, I pray thee, onely this once, O God, that I may be at once auenged of the Philistines, for my two eyes.

29 And Samson tooke hold of the two middle pillars (Song of Solomon 5:15), vpon which the house stood, and on which it was borne vp, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left. **30** And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines: & he bowed himselfe with all his might: and the house fel vpon the lords, and vpon all the people that were therein: so the dead which he slew at his death, were moe, then they which he slew in his life. **31** Then his brethren, and all the house of his father, came downe, and tooke him, and brought him vp, and buried him betweene Zorah and Eshtaol, in the burying place of Manoah his father: and hee iudged Israel twentie yeeres.

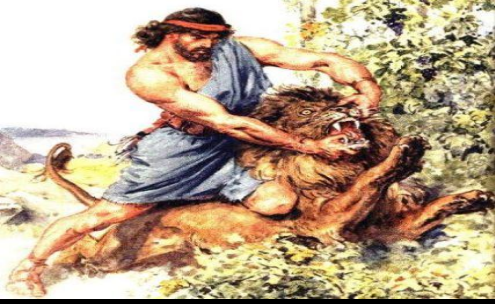
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Conclusion:

The holy Ghost is always giving us wisdom through spiritual lessons that are cloaked in a literal account of God's Word. In the case of Samson, Israel is shown to be set up for failure when lusting after the Babylonian church. Corruption of God's Word will lead to Samson being blinded as a result of his affinity for Babylon. God has great mercy for his people although they are often not left unpunished.

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Conclusion:

Samson gets in trouble with his mouth, so does Israel.

Samson kills the food with foxes, so does Israel.

Samson loved strange women, so does Israel.

Samson was blinded, so is Israel.

God uses Samson for his glory, so will he Israel when he purposes the restoration of Jerusalem to Jesus Christ.