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| **LIFE GROUP NOTES**  **Judges #8 - Samson**  **The Weak Made Strong (Ch 13)** |  |

Start with open ended question moving to more specific responses before focusing on a Next Step. Encouraging everyone to be a ‘doer’ of the Word.

1. **Are you good at viewing your life through your God’s eyes? Do you often view it through your own eyes/a cultural lens?**

* God’s people fell short in God’s eyes
* What do you sometimes allow to sidetrack you from how God has called you to live? Is it a good thing turned idol?
* What ‘acceptable sins’ or ‘small sins’ go unnoticed in our culture?

1. **Do you find the example of Samson’s parents encouraging?**

* What other examples can you think of where God has used ordinary people for ordinary things? In the bible and in your own life.
* Why does God bless people with children?
* Are you good at listening and obeying God’s call on your life? What are some of the things that all Christians are called to?

1. **Are you able to step out in faith even when you don’t know exactly what the path looks like?**
   * In your own life, where have you often wanted more details from God?
   * Discuss ‘a compass, not a map’
2. **What does the Nazirite vow mean for us as Christians?**

* How are we set apart for God?
* What does that look like practically? How do we/should we stand out and look different?

1. **What good works has God begun in you, where you need to press in and see continued growth? How are you becoming strong?**

* How is your time, energy, money, etc used to seek God and know him more?
* How can you step out and allow the God to build you up?

\*See ‘Handout’ on website for a summary of the preach