

# YOU BE THE JUDGE: WEEK 4 SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

**SUNDAY 16 JUNE 2024** 

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## **GETTING STARTED**

 How's your heart? Not physically, while that is also important, but focus on your heart as an emotional and spiritual measurement, how is it?

 Today we study a character who was physically strong yet when it comes to his character he was extremely weak, can you think of someone whose character impressed you? (Romans 7:15-20)

## INTO THE WORD JUDGES 14:1-3

- Samson travels into temptation (Philistine country), disobeys his parent's wishes, and lusts after something (someone) he shouldn't be looking for, because it goes against God's word. So in just 3 verses, we see Samson has some character flaws. If you think about it, we all have temptations in life like Samson did, the grass is greener, the road looks easier etc ... How can we resist temptation before we find ourselves physically in the wrong situation?
- Samson's call and his character didn't line up (read Numbers 6:1-6), he had some guidelines on how to live which he ignored. Is there an area of your life which you 'know' what is right but you struggle to submit that to God?

## GOING DEEPER

### Read Judges 14:5-9

- Comparing Numbers 6:1-6 to Judges 14:1-9 where does Samson fail to be obedient to God, and why do you think he makes the choices that he does?
- Samson's life ends in Judges 16:25-30, while God's will is done and His people are set free, Samson's selfish character is evident till the end. Is there an area of your life that you need to offer to God? How's your heart before your Lord and Saviour?

#### **PRAY**

Pray together as a group for God to continue to mould our character into that of Christ's, to convict us of areas that need alignment, and to fan into flame the areas that please Him.