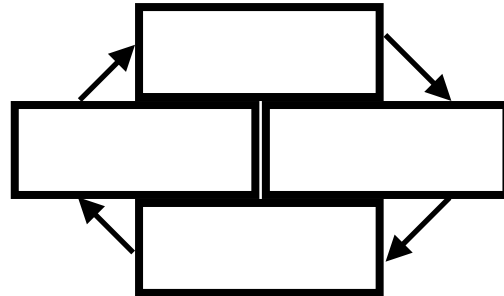


Judges Class 8 - Samson, part 1 (13:1-15:20)

Before Reading

- List the 5 major judges and 6 minor judges so far:



- Fill in the “cycle” of the Book of Judges.

Read Judges 13:1-25

- What biblical stories (*before* the Book of Judges) are similar? Later stories?
- What is the Nazarite vow and what was its purpose? (see Numbers 6:1-9)
- Who is appearing to Manoah & wife? What’s up with “the name”? (see Gen. 32:24ff)

Read Judges 14:1-20

- What is Samson like? What role do his eyes play in the story?
- What is God’s purpose in all of this?
- What is Samson’s weakness in regards to his secret? What is the end result?

Read Judges 15:1-20

- What are the dominant character traits of Samson displayed in this story?
- How is God using all of this to fulfill His purpose?
- What does the water incident at Lehi say about Samson? About God?