



“Samson’s End Serves God’s Ends”

Judges 16

- I. Samson goes in to a _____(16:1).
 - a. In a failed attempt, the men of Gaza plan to capture Samson in the morning, only to have him leave at _____ taking the city gates with him (16:2-3).
 - b. Samson finds another woman, Delilah, who is immediately _____ by the Philistine leaders (16:4-5).

- II. Delilah begins a process of repeated inquiries as we wonder at the power of sin causing sinners to behave in a _____ manner (16:6).
 - a. Round 1: Samson lies about the fresh _____ (16:7-9).
 - b. Round 2: Samson lies about the new _____ (16:10-12).
 - c. Round 3: Samson lies about _____ the seven locks of his hair (10:13-14).
 - d. Round 4: Samson, being hard _____, tells her _____ (10:15-18).

e. Samson is captured, his eyes are put out, and he _____ grain in the mill (10:19-21).

- III. Hope springs up in the text even as God’s enemies gather for pagan _____ (10:22-24).
 - a. Reveling at their feast, the Philistines bring out Samson for _____ (10:25-27).
 - b. Samson prays for vengeance and kills _____ Philistine leaders together with himself (10:28-31).