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All or Nothing

📖 Judges 16:23-30

When God calls a person to come follow Him, He calls them to come die so that they may fully live.

“Aim at Heaven and you will get Earth ‘thrown in’: aim at Earth and you will get neither.” C.S. Lewis

Samson, one of Israel’s judges had incredible God given privilege, calling, gifts and strength yet he aimed at earth instead of heaven and ended up living a wasted life.

Samson’s life cries out to us today: Don’t waste your life by living for self. Give yourself fully to God and live your life all in for Him.

- Samson’s life was a miracle from God.
- Samson had a calling on his life.
- Samson had godly parents.

- Samson disrespects his parents.
- Samson destroys the lives of others.
- Samson disregarded God’s calling.

“But he did not know that the Lord had left him.” Judges 16:20

The things we use to try to get life will eventually use us and mock us when they fail.

“Sovereign Lord, remember me. Please, God, strengthen me just once more, and let me with one blow get revenge on the Philistines for my two eyes.” v28

This time it wasn’t about saving his life but about laying down his life.

Jesus Christ came to lay down His life that we might be forgiven and set free to live a life that glorifies Him. His sacrifice was ‘all in’ so that we could live ‘all in’ for Him.

- Don’t disrespect godly parents who pray for you.
- Don’t destroy your life in the pursuit of life which is all about you.
- Don’t disregard God’s calling on your life.
- Don’t waste your life. Live ‘all in’ for Him.

Place your hands on the ‘pillars’ as if it is the last time that you serve God. Hands on the pillars as you raise children. As you work. As you serve others. As you walk into every new day.

- What may God be calling you to surrender so that you can follow Him with all or nothing passion?

- What is God calling you to do that you have kept putting off because you fear the consequences?