

A Hairy Tale

Samson Judges 13-16



Challenge your child to retell the story. Help him or her remember key details by asking the following questions:

- ₩ Who did God choose to set His people free from the Philistines? (Samson)
- what would happen to Samson if his hair was cut? (His strength would go away.)
- ★ What happened when Samson asked God to give him his strength back? (God made him strong one last time.)

Read the following thought aloud to help increase your child's understanding:

Samson did not keep his promises to God. But God kept His promise to Samson. Just like Samson did, we can also go to God and ask for help even when we have failed.



Together, discover how this specific lesson ties into God's Big Story. Read the following aloud to your child:

God kept His promise to Samson. And we can know that God will keep His promises to us, too. This is because of Jesus, who came to save all who trust in Him.



"You will become pregnant and give birth to a son (pretend to rock a baby in your arms), and his hair must never be cut (scissor fingers back and forth).

For he will be dedicated to God (bring hands together with palms up and raise them) as a Nazirite from birth.

He will begin to rescue (cross arms at wrists, then release) Israel from the Philistines."

Judges 13:5 (NLT)



Dear God,

You kept Your promise to Samson, even when he did not deserve it. Thank You for being faithful and keeping Your promises. Help me be strong as I try to keep my promises to You. Amen.

