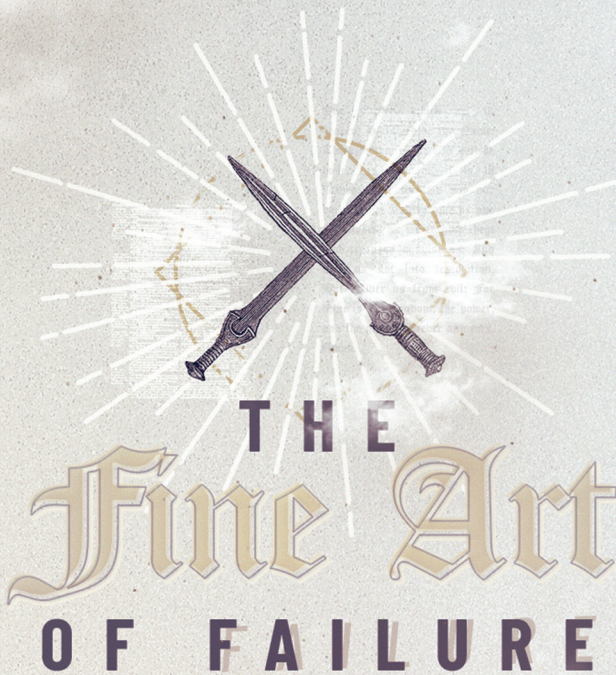




**Home Teams**  
DISCUSSION GUIDE



*A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF JUDGES*

**July 28 & 29**

# Lessons in Self-Destruction

WEEK 8 • JUDGES 14

## OPENING QUESTION

Have your parents ever said “No” to something that you now see was a good decision?

## IN THE WORD

1. Where did Samson and his parents go wrong in [Judges 14:1-3](#)?
2. Name other Bible characters that tried to obey God’s instructions like Samson’s parents, but struggled at some key moment? Read [Hebrews 11: 17-31](#) to get some ideas.
3. What are some principles from [Exodus 34:14-15](#) and [2 Corinthians 6:14-16](#) that apply to this story about Samson?
4. How have you seen seeking the “attractive” things of this world distract you from your relationship with God?
5. Tell how you have seen [Matthew 6:31-33](#) work in the lives of people around you.

## MAKING IT PERSONAL

1. Share a time you impulsively wanted something and did not listen to others who advised against it. What was the outcome?
2. Can you think of someone you know that is unequally yoked in marriage with a non-believer in Christ? What is your perception of their life together?
3. Why do you believe it is important to date and marry a Christian?
4. How have you seen people get involved with others, or an organization that is not seeking God only to end up going down a wrong road themselves?
5. Name some ways we can live in our current culture of “bright and shiny” things and stay faithful to the Lord’s way of life.

## CONTINUED LEARNING

Read [Ephesians 4:17-32](#) and note the ways we can stay connected to God as well as others in our life especially a spouse.

# Notes & Prayers



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