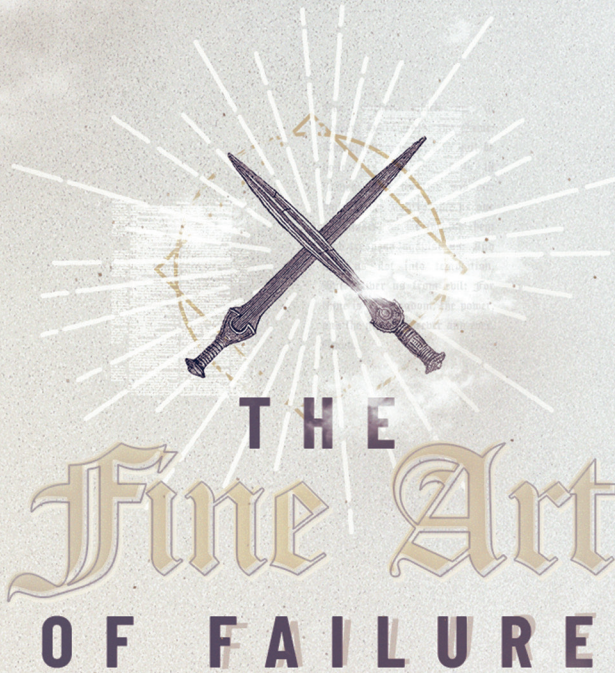




Home Teams
DISCUSSION GUIDE



A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF JUDGES

August 4 & 5

Is There Life After Failure?

WEEK 9 • JUDGES 16:23-31

OPENING QUESTION

How do you react to failure: depressed & withdrawn, fight back, run away or avoid the situation, or blame others?

IN THE WORD

1. Describe the situation in [Judges 16:23-25](#) in your own words.
2. How do you think Samson was feeling in [verse 25](#)?
3. Quickly review, how many Philistines did Samson kill that we know of? Check out [Judges 15:8](#) and [15:15-16](#) for some help. What do you believe was the impact of [Judges 15:3-5](#)?
4. What stands out to you in [Judges 16:26-30](#)?
5. It seems the Scripture indicates what Samson did in the temple in [Judges 16](#) was out of revenge. How do you see it; revenge, remorse, or repentance on Samson's part?

MAKING IT PERSONAL

1. Can you think of a time you felt like a failure in your life?
2. How did you recover from that feeling of failure?
3. What were some points from last week's message about Samson that can help you deal with failure?
4. Pastor Todd said, "You can't change your past, but you can change your future by surrendering to God." What does that mean to you?
5. This question was asked in the message, "Are there pillars that need to be pushed down in your life?" Share with your Home Team any pillars that may need to be pushed down in your life.

CONTINUED LEARNING

Look at how Saul (later known as Paul) had much to be repentant of but was still used by God in [Acts 9:1-31](#) and [Acts 26](#).

Notes & Prayers



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