

Message

Title: Learning From The Life Of Samson

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“A life without boundaries leaves us vulnerable—build your walls with self-control and faith.”

Introduction

Reflect this week: Where in your life do you need to rebuild your spiritual and emotional walls?

Are there breaches in your heart’s walls leaving you open to chaos?

Pastor Lilly Brightwell shares a powerful journey through the life of Samson, a man uniquely called and anointed yet undone by lacking personal boundaries and self-control. This sermon challenges us to consider how formation—the building of internal walls—supports our discipleship and spiritual walk.

Through Samson’s story, we learn the importance of spiritual, emotional, and moral boundaries. Pastor Lilly encourages us to examine our own lives for breaches, renew our sacred boundaries, and submit ourselves fully to God’s purpose to find true strength and freedom.

Scripture

Judges 13-16 — The story of Samson’s calling, life, struggles, and downfall.

Numbers 6 — The Nazirite vow—abstaining from the vine, not cutting hair, consecrated to God.

Proverbs 25:28 — “A city with no walls is like a person without self-control.”



Judges 16:20 — "He did not know that the presence of the Lord had left him."

Don't Miss This

- Formation is Essential: Samson was clearly called and empowered, but without personal and spiritual formation, his life descended into chaos.
- Self-Control Builds Internal Walls: Strong boundaries protect our identity and spiritual health; without them, we become vulnerable to compromise and emotional unrest.
- Surrender Enables Strength: True strength comes from surrendering to God's purpose and maintaining a close, attentive relationship with Him.

Let's Chat

1. Where in your life might there be breaches in your spiritual or emotional walls?
2. How can the example of Samson help us understand the importance of formation in our faith journey?
3. What does it mean to build 'internal walls' as a disciple of Jesus today?
4. In what ways might desire lead us away from God's purpose, and how can we realign it?
5. How can community and accountability help us maintain our spiritual boundaries?

