



Part 4: Magic Beans and The In-Betweens - Levi Lusko

Introduction

God has called us to live a life of “doing good”. Yet so often, this lifestyle becomes exhausting. Today we look at Samson and hear from Paul with the point of learning how we can defend against this temptation to throw in the towel.

Changing Your Mind

And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. - **Galatians 6:9**

But the hair of his head began to grow again after it had been shaved. - **Judges 16:22**

Catch for us the foxes, the little foxes that ruin the vineyards, our vineyards that are in bloom. - **Song of Solomon 2:15**

Discussion Questions

1. What are some of the things that make us weary when we are doing good? What are important things for us to do to make sure that we don't grow weary of doing good? How can we encourage each other to continue doing good?
2. The enemy had to change his strategy to take Sampson out. If he was to change his strategy to take you out, where would you be most vulnerable? How can you begin to be more aware of that soft spot and have this group help protect you?
3. Brush up on the story of Samson in Judges 16. What are your thoughts on the result of Sampson giving into temptation? Does this scare you? Does this motivate you to be obedient to Christ?
4. Do you ever want a refund on sin? Do you ever feel like because of the things you have done in your past, you cannot possibly come back to the full life that God intended? What are some of the things from your past that make you feel this way?
5. Read Judges 16:22. How does this make you feel in light of your feelings of being “damaged goods”? According to this, is it too late to live a restored life in Christ?
6. Sampson walked through the vineyard and flirted with danger which eventually grew into something that would end his life. What ways in your life do you see yourself flirting with things that could potentially ruin your life?
7. What is one small step you can take this week (in relation to this message) that can help you to grow in your relationship with Jesus?

Moving Forward

How do you identify with Samson? It is important that we identify our weak points so that we can guard and protect them. How about Galatians 6:9? We must help one another to continue doing good because in time, doing good will bring us a harvest. Lets begin to allow God and others to help us while we pursue righteousness and defend our weak points against the enemy.