Samson's Three Campaigns

Judg 14:18-15:19

	14:1-20, Slaughter in Ashkelon	15:1-8, Revenge for Timnah	15:9-19 Battle of Lehi	
Compromise	1-4, Samson's Philistine bride	1-2, Samson's Philistine bride	9-10, Judah's Philistine partners	
Power	5-9, Power over the Lion	3-6, Power over the Foxes	11-13, Power over himself	
Slaughter	10-19a, Thirty in Ashkelon	7-8a, A great slaughter	14-17, A thousand	
Refuge	19b-20, Goes up to Judah	8b, Goes down to Etam	18-19, Calls on the Lord	

15:5 he ... burnt up both the shocks, and also the standing corn

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Ex. 22:6 If fire break out, and catch in thorns, so that the stacks of corn, or the standing corn, or the field, be consumed therewith; he that kindled the fire shall surely make restitution.

15:6 the Philistines ... burnt her and her father (cf. 14:15)

John 11:47 Then gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said, What do we? for this man doeth many miracles. 48 If we let him thus alone, all men will believe on him: and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation.

Helpful References on 15:7-13

15:7 yet will I be avenged ...

Nu 35:18 the murderer shall surely be put to death. 19 The revenger of blood himself shall slay the murderer: when he meeteth him, he shall slay him.

15:10 to do to him as **he hath done to us** (cf. v. 11)

Matt. 7:12 Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that **men should do to you**, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

15:11 the Philistines are rulers over us

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Judg. 8:23 And Gideon said unto them, I will not **rule over you**, neither shall my son rule over you: the LORD shall **rule over you**.

15:12 We are **come down to bind** thee ...

1Sa 22:1 David therefore departed thence, and escaped to the cave Adullam: and when his brethren and all his father's house heard it, they went down thither to him. 2 And every one that was in distress, and every one that was in debt, and every one that was discontented, gathered themselves unto him; and he became a captain over them: and there were with him about four hundred men.

The Cycles of Judges 3-16

Rebellion: Did Evil Forsook/served	2:11 :12,13 17,19	3:7 :7	3:12	4:1	6:1	10:6 :6	13:1
Retribution: Lord angry	:12, 14	:8				:7	
Spoilers Years	:14-15	:8 Meso- potamia 8	:12-14 <i>Moab</i> 18	:2 Canaan 20	:1-6 <i>Midian</i> 7	:7-9 Philistines, Ammon 18	:1 Philistines
Repentance	:15,18	:9	:15	:3	:6	:10	
Rebuke	:1-3				:7-10	:11-16	
Restoration: Judge Victory Land had rest Years He judged Israel	:16,18	:9-11 Othniel :10 :11 40	:15-30 Ehud :30 :30 80	4:4-5:31 Deborah, Barak 4:23 5:31 40	6:11-8:28 <i>Gideon</i> 8:28 :28 40	10:17-12:7 Jephthah 11:33	13:2-16:31 Samson 15:20, 16:31
Years Supplements:			:32 Shamgar		8:29-9:57 <i>Abimelech</i> , 3 10:1,2 <i>Tola</i> , 23 10:3-5 <i>Jair</i> , 22	6 12::8-10 Ibzan, 7 :11-12 Elon, 10 :13-15 Abdon, 8	20

Samson as a Picture of the Nation

	Israel	Samson
Rebellion	Going after other gods	Taking a Philistine wife
Retribution	Servitude	15:13, bound by Judah; thirst 16:21, grinding in Gaza
Rebuke	2:1-3, Angel 6:7-10, Prophet 10:11-16, the Lord	13:3, Parents
Repentance	Cry זעק to the Lord	15:18; 16:28, Cry קרא to the Lord
Restoration	God sends a deliverer	God answers prayer

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