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Samson's History

Jdg 13-16, Samson

13:2 a man of Zorah, Manoah

13:2-24a, Birth

13:2 his wife was barren

13:24 the woman bare a son

13:24b-16:31, Career

13:25 between Zorah and Eshtaol

14:1-15:19, From Timnah to Lehi

15:20-16:31, Death

15:20 he judged Israel 20 years

16:1-3, The harlot of Gaza

16:4-20, Delilah in the Sorek valley

16:21-30, Binding and victory in Gaza

16:31 he judged Israel 20 years

16:31 between Zorah and Eshtaol

16:31 Manoah his father

25 And the Spirit of the LORD began to **move** נָפַח H6470 him at times

Gen 41:7 And Pharaoh awoke, and, behold, it was a dream. 8 And it came to pass in the morning that his spirit was **troubled**;

Dan. 2:1 ... Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his spirit was **troubled**, and his sleep brake from him. 2 Then the king commanded to call the magicians, and the astrologers, and the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans, ... 3 And the king said unto them, I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit was **troubled** to know the dream.

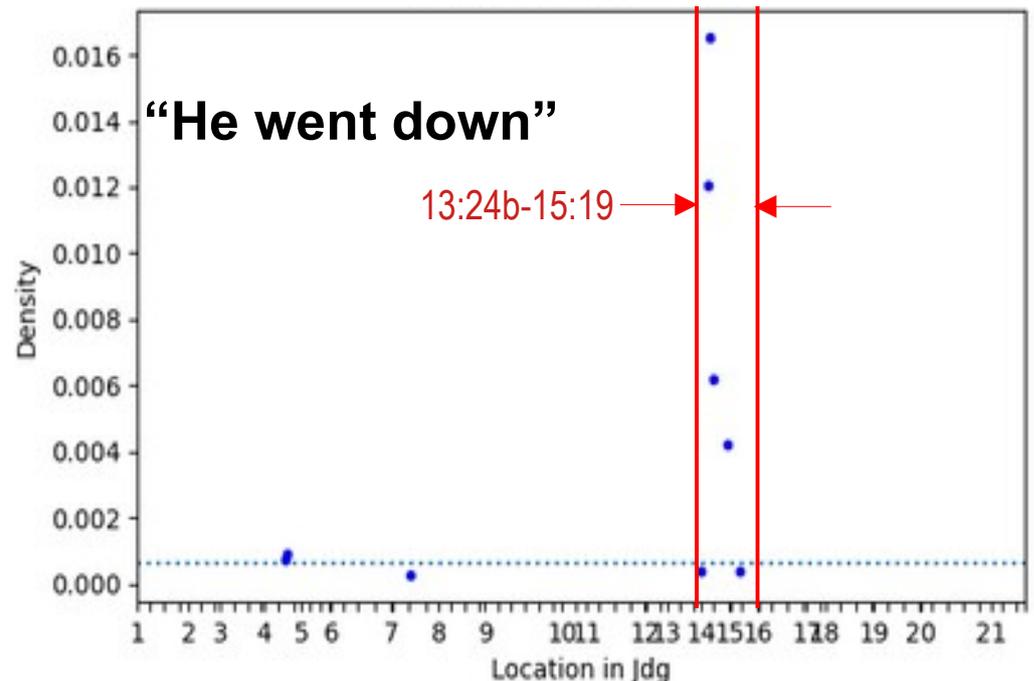
Psa. 77:4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking: I am so **troubled** that I cannot speak.

Samson's Three Campaigns

	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

14:1 Samson **went down** to **Timnath** (= Thimnathah)

Josh. 19:40 And the seventh lot came out for the tribe of the children of Dan ... 41 And the coast of their inheritance was Zorah, and Eshtaol, ... 43 ... and **Thimnathah**, and Ekron, ...



Samson's Pagan Brides

Deut. 7:1 When the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, **the Hittites, and the Gergashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites**, seven nations greater and mightier than thou; 2 And when the LORD thy God shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them: 3 Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son. 4 **For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods:** so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly.

14:3 she pleaseth me (= is right in my eyes)

Judg. 17:6 In those days there was no king in Israel, but every man did that which was **right in his own eyes.**

Judg. 21:25 In those days there was no king in Israel: every man did that which was **right in his own eyes.**

14:4 it was of the Lord ...

Psa 76:10 Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain [חגר H2296, gird on].

The Riddle חידה H2420 and the Prize

1Kings 10:1 And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of the LORD, she came to prove him with **hard questions**.

2Kings 5:5 And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and took with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand pieces of gold, and ten **changes of raiment**.

Jos 7:21 When I saw among the spoils a **goodly Babylonish garment**, and two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them; and, behold, they are hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under it.

Ancient money:

- 1 Talent = 60 *manehs* (KJV “pounds”)
- 1 “pound” = 60 shekels
- 1 shekel = 8-12 grams
- The value ratio of gold to silver ranges from 2 (Egypt) to 12 (first century Rome), 4 or 5 in Phoenicia and Syria during OT times