**Heroes: By Faith**

*The Story of God Told Through the Heroes of Old*

Samson: Faith vs. Fear

Judges 13:1

Judges 13:2-3

Numbers 6:1-21

Judges 13:25

Judges 14:6

Judges 14:19

Judges 15:14

John 6:63

Isaiah 12:1-4

Hebrews 11:32-39

Hebrews 12:1-2

Col 3:12-17

Questions for Reflection:

1. What promises did Samson have to fall back on when he was afraid?
2. What are the outcomes when Samson operates out of fear? What about when he operates out of faith?
3. Samson is clearly a flawed hero. What do we learn about God in that despite his flaws, he still appears in the Hebrews hall of faith?
4. What makes Samson a hero in this story? How does this point us to Christ?

Heroes: By Faith – Series Plan

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Questions for Parents and Kids

The story of Samson is not in the Jesus Storybook Bible but could easily be read from an Adult Bible in one sitting.

Read the story together and then have them tell it to you in their own words.

Consider questions like:

Samson was a strong and mighty warrior.

* How do you think he became so strong?
* Did he do good things or bad things with his strength?
* What gifts do you have?
* How could you use them for good and God’s glory?
* What if you are afraid to use them?
* How can God’s promises make you brave?