

Message: Those mocking me must die

Text: Judges 16 verse 25

Bible reading: Judges 16 verse 1- end

THEN went Samson to Gaza, and saw there an harlot, and went in unto her. 2 *And it was told* the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither. And they compassed *him* in, and laid wait for him all night in the gate of the city, and were quiet all the night, saying, In the morning, when it is day, we shall kill him. 3 And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and took the doors of the gate of the city, and the two posts, and went away with them, bar and all, and put *them* upon his shoulders, and carried them up to the top of an hill that *is* before Hebron. 4 ¶ And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name *was* Delilah. 5 And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength *lieth*, and by what *means* we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to afflict him: and we will give thee every one of us eleven hundred *pieces* of silver. 6 ¶ And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength *lieth*, and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict thee. 7 And Samson said unto her, If they bind me with seven green withs that were never dried, then shall I be weak, and be as another man. 8 Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green withs which had not been dried, and she bound him with them. 9 Now *there were* men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber. And she said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he brake the withs, as a thread of tow is broken when it toucheth the fire. So his strength was not known. 10 And Delilah said unto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: now tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightiest be bound. 11 And he said unto her, If they bind me fast with new ropes that never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another man. 12 Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And *there were* liars in wait abiding in the chamber. And he brake them from off his arms like a thread. 13 And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web. 14 And she fastened *it* with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web. 15 ¶ And she said unto him, How canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart *is* not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength *lieth*. 16 And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, so that his soul was vexed unto death; 17 That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I *have been* a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any *other* man. 18 And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand. 19 And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him. 20 And she said, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him. 21 ¶ But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house. 22 Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again after he was shaven. 23 Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together for to offer a

great sacrifice unto Dagon their god, and to rejoice: for they said, Our god hath delivered Samson our enemy into our hand. 24 And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said, Our god hath delivered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our country, which slew many of us. 25 And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that he may make us sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house; and he made them sport: and they set him between the pillars. 26 And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may lean upon them. 27 Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines *were* there; and *there were* upon the roof about three thousand men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport. 28 And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes. 29 And Samson took hold of the two middle pillars upon which the house stood, and on which it was borne up, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left. 30 And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines. And he bowed himself with *all his* might; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that *were* therein. So the dead which he slew at his death were more than *they* which he slew in his life. 31 Then his brethren and all the house of his father came down, and took him, and brought *him* up, and buried him between Zorah and Eshtaol in the burying place of Manoah his father. And he judged Israel twenty years.

We are dealing with a terrible situation that should not come upon any man on the surface of the earth and is titled those mocking me must die. Samson was a man anointed by God, full of power, grace and ability to defeat the enemies but sadly something terrible happened, Samson's enemies employed the service of Delilah to extract or enquire of Samson secret about his strength so he could be captured and destroyed. I want you to pray violently like this

- Those hired to extract my secret die in the name of Jesus
- Cry again with boiling anger, that those planted within and around me as spy die in the name of Jesus
- I want you to roar like thunder, say physical and spiritual Delilah of my father's house die in the name of Jesus.

In this passage, we could learn the following lessons:-

- The enemies will use anything and anyone to accomplish their agenda
- Time of planning and execution may vary but they will surely come for their target
- Ignorance of your environment and things around you could be disastrous
- Your seed is your talent when lost, expect no harvest
- If the seed is stolen, shame and death follows

Samson became a mockery unto his enemies, what do we understand by the word mockery

- It means to make you a laughing stock
- It means to wash you down
- To expose and ridicule you
- To tell you this is how far you can go

- To capture you and make you nothing before them
- Telling you that they are in control
- Is to stripe you of your self esteem
- To be disgraced
- Openly naked
- Open shame

Beloved to be mocked is bad, if care is not taking it can lead to death, I want you to pray this dangerous prayer, say those gathered to mock me die in the name of Jesus, pray again like this, that powers of my fathers, mothers, and in-laws houses assembled to mock my destiny be wasted by fire in the name of Jesus. I want you also to pray for the church that, all those plotting for the shame and disgrace of this church fail and be disgraced openly in the name of Jesus

Who are those that will mock you?

- Those you are above
- Those not happy with your new step
- Those who thought nothing good could come out of your life
- Those with envious spirit
- Those you defeated in the battle
- Dark powers
- Ex- partners / relationship
- Those you have overtaken
- Etc

Hear this beloved, your new life, achievements, projects, children etc will be mocked by the enemies, will you allow them to keep mocking you or will you rain destruction upon your mockers like Samson did.....

Your present fallen does not mean you should remain fallen and become an object of pity, hear the word of the Lord in Micah 7 verse 8 and verse 10, you must rise and fight back, Samson though he was injured and at the point of death prayed and fought the enemy, you are alive, therefore you must rise and fight back.....

Altar call.....

Before your mockers must die or before the Lord kill your mockers, you must repent like Samson followed by deadly prayers.....

Prayer

1. Mocker around me be exposed and die in the Jesus name
2. Weapons of shame and disgrace fashioned against me fail and back fire in the name of Jesus
3. I refused to dance for the enemies, my enemies must be ashamed before me in the name of Jesus
4. Lord show me all the enemies around me in the name of Jesus

5. Those mocking me in secret the Lord shall expose and destroy you openly in the name of Jesus
6. My head what are you doing in the valley of shame arise and move forward now in the name of Jesus
7. Powers that refused to give up until they kill me, be exposed and die in the name of Jesus
8. All those mocking me day and night receive open disgrace in the name of Jesus
9. I refused to fall in love with the destroyer in the name of Jesus
10. Enemies within planning to sell me to the enemies outside the Lord destroy you both in the name of Jesus
11. I refused to expose my secrets and strength to the enemies in the name of Jesus
12. Enemies hiding in my room waiting to capture me die in the name of Jesus
13. My enemies shall not discover the source of my strength in the name of Jesus
14. Secret investigators sent to enquire of my strength be exposed and die in Jesus name
15. Lord empower me to make fool of my enemies in the name of Jesus
16. All those who are bent on knowing the secret of my life die in the name of Jesus
17. Spirit of Delilah in my foundation be exposed and die in the name of Jesus
18. Powers pursuing me from birth to disgrace me the Lord shall waste you in the name of Jesus
19. Lord prepare soup of affliction and shame for my enemies in the name of Jesus
20. Lord I thank you for destroying those planning to mock me in the name of Jesus