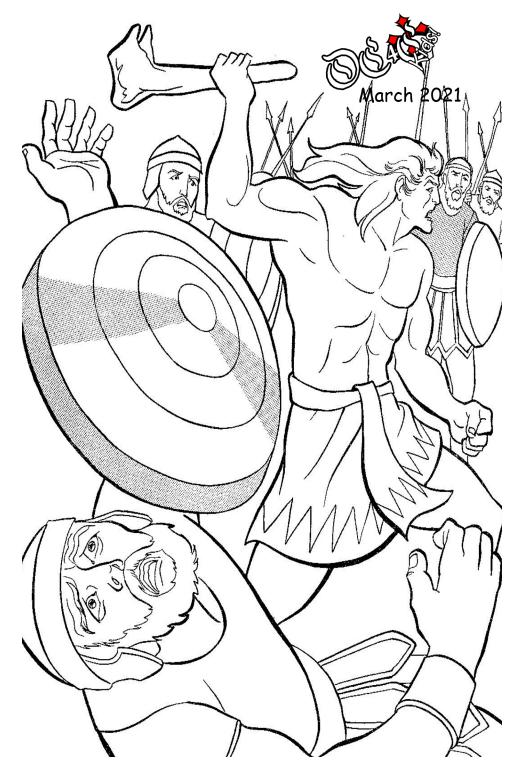
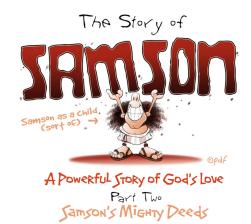


}	ACROSS	"Again the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and the LORD delivered them into the hand of the for forty years." JUDGES 13:1
•	ACROSS	"Now there was a certain man from Zorah, of the family of the Danites, whose name was Manoah; and his wife was barren and had no" JUDGES 13:2
)	DOWN	"And the Angel of the LORD appeared to the woman and said to her, 'Indeed now, you are barren and have borne no children, but you shall conceive and bear a' " JUDGES 13:3
	DOWN	He also said, "Now therefore, please be not to drink wine or similar drink, and not to eat any unclean thing." JUDGES 13:4
;	DOWN	"No razor shall come upon his head, for the child is a to God from the womb; and he shall begin to deliver Israel out of the hand of the Philistines." JUDGES 13:4
?	DOWN	"Manoah prayed to the LORD, and said, 'O my Lord, please let the Man of God whom You sent come to us again and us what we shall do for the child who will be born.' " JUDGES 13:8
;	DOWN	"So the Angel of the LORD said to, 'Of all that I said to the woman let her be careful.' " JUDGES 13:13
	ACROSS	"When the Angel of the LORD appeared no more to Manoah and his wife, then Manoah knew that He was the" JUDGES 13:21
	DOWN	"So the woman hore a son and called his name". JLIDGES 13:24





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It happened just as the angel said it would.

Well, of course it did. It ALWAYS happens just like the angel says!

Manoah and his wife did have a son.

They named him Samson.

Samson grew tall and strong - and, just as the angel Commanded, they never cut his hair.

One day Samson was out walking through a grape or Chard, when he thought he heard something. It sounded like a roar.

Suddenly, a lion jumped out from the Vines!

The lion and Samson wrestled to the ground in a cloud of dust. Just then, the power of God filled Samson. Samson tore the lion apart with his bare hands.

A few days later, Samson went back to the orchard, and he found the lion's body. Bees had built a nest in it. So Samson reached in, and took out a handful of honey. Samson had a nice little snack as he walked home.

God was with Samson, and he did many mighty deeds.

Now remember, the people of Israel had disobeyed God, and so God sent the Philistines to rule over them. For 40 years, the

Philistines had made their lives miserable.

Now it was time for God to send the Philistines away.

The Philistines had heard of Samson and the things he had done, and so they sent an army to find him.

They attacked the town of Lehi, looking for Samson.

"Why are you attacking us!" the people of the town cried out.

"We want Samson," the Philistines answered.

So 3,000 men from the town went up into the nearby mountains to find Samson.

They found him in a Cave.

"The Philistines are attacking us because of you!" they said to Samson. "We have come to tie you up and hand you over to them!"

Samson said, "Tie me up, but give me your word that you will not kill me."

And so they tied Samson up with two new ropes, and they brought him down the mountain.

When the Philistine army saw them Coming, they gave a great shout and ran towards them swinging their swords in the air.

Suddenly, the power of God came over Samson, and he broke the ropes around his arms as if they were thread. There was an old jawbone lying in the dirt. Samson picked it up and swung it over his head.

He killed a thousand men with the jawbone of a donkey that day.

Samson defeated the Philistine army, and for 20 years he led the people of Israel against the Philistines.

