

**Do Over Series**  
**Group Lesson Week of 05-03-20**

## **Introduction**

When things don't go as planned, what do you do? Change doesn't mean the end. Change doesn't mean failure. Change doesn't have to be scary. Because it will be good....

## **GROUP LESSONS - SCHEDULE**

Week of 04-19-20 – Do Over Series 1 of 4

Week of 04-26-20 – Do Over Series 2 of 4

**Week of 05-03-20 – Do Over Series 3 of 4**

Week of 05-10-20 – Do Over Series 4 of 4

## **Icebreaker**

Samson's strength was superhuman, have you ever seen a modern day example of superhuman strength in a regular human being?

## **READ & DISCUSS**

*\*This material was adapted from "But God Changes Everything Study Guide" by Herbert Cooper*

The story of Samson is found in Judges 13 – 16, discuss some of the highlights of the life of Samson.

*Judges (NIV) 14: <sup>6</sup>The Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon him so that he tore the lion apart with his bare hands as he might have torn a young goat. But he told neither his father nor his mother what he had done... <sup>8</sup>Some time later, when he went back to marry her, he turned aside to look at the lion's carcass, and in it he saw a swarm of bees and some honey. <sup>9</sup>He scooped out the honey with his hands and ate as he went along. When he rejoined his parents, he gave them some, and they too ate it. But he did not tell them that he had taken the honey from the lion's carcass.*

- **In Sunday's message Pastor John said that living in hiding leads to bondage.**
  - How was Samson living in hiding?
  - Why would hiding access to sin be dangerous?
  - Have you ever hid access to sin? What happened?
  - How does hiding sin hurt us?
  - If it hurts us why do we hide our sin? If you are willing give a personal example?

*Judges (NIV) 16: <sup>20</sup> Then she called, "Samson, the Philistines are upon you!" He awoke from his sleep and thought, "I'll go out as before and shake myself free." But he did not know that the LORD had left him.*

- **Why was Samson unable to shake himself free?**
- **Have you ever ignored God's instructions? How did that turn out for you?**

*Judges(NIV) 16: <sup>26</sup> Samson said to the servant who held his hand, "Put me where I can feel the pillars that support the temple, so that I may lean against them."*

- **Samson had to ask for help. Is it hard for you to ask for help? Why or why not?**
- **Why is it important to ask for help?**
- **What is one area of your life that you need to ask for help? Who do you need to ask?**
- **Who is someone that you could help?**

*Judges (NIV) 16: <sup>21</sup> Then the Philistines seized him, gouged out his eyes and took him down to Gaza. Binding him with bronze shackles, they set him to grinding grain in the prison. <sup>22</sup> But the hair on his head began to grow again after it had been shaved... <sup>28</sup> Then Samson prayed to the LORD, "Sovereign LORD, remember me. Please, God, strengthen me just once more, and let me with one blow get revenge on the Philistines for my two eyes."*

- **Is there anything you need to believe God for? If so WHAT?**
- **Do you believe that God can do it AGAIN for you?**

## **Rivers United Church S.O.A.P. Reading Plan**

Monday – 1 Corinthians 11

Tuesday – 1 Corinthians 12

Wednesday 1 Corinthians 13

Thursday – 1 Corinthians 14

Friday – 1 Corinthians 15

Saturday – 1 Corinthians 16

Sunday - Evaluate and See You at Online Church

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