## "Historical Books Of The Bible" Judges 13:8-25 Wednesday May 15, 2013

#### Judges 13:8-16

## After the death of Joshua, Israel plunges into 350 years (Dark Ages).

Hebrew title Judges – "rulers, deliverers, or saviors"; "Liberating and delivering."

God raised up <u>12 Men</u> and <u>1 Woman</u>, which were called Judges.

Judges centers around <u>7 Cycles Of Oppression and Deliverance</u>. (Varying in time)

Israel finds themselves in the final sinful cycle. 7<sup>Th</sup> Cycle Of Judges; The number "7" – completion, "Israel had become completely apostate." No national repentance – no one was crying out to the Lord.

This was Israel's longest period of bondage – 40 years.

**The 13<sup>th</sup> Judge Of Israel Is Samson:** Samson – his name means "of the sun, sunny, brightness" 4 chapters are dedicated to Samson. Judges 13-16

The Entire Story Of Samson Is Separation To God – Holiness.

# Galatians 5:16

<u>1. Verses 8-14 – The Confirmation Of Samson's Birth</u> <u>2. Verses 15-23 – The Revelation Of The Angel</u> <u>3. Verses 24-25 – The Birth Of Samson</u>

# 1. Verses 8-14 – The Confirmation Of Samson's Birth:

Judges 13:8

"Then Manoah entreated the LORD" – Judges 13:2 – "man of Zorah,"

(Pictures of Zorah)

Manoah entreated the LORD – Why? Judges 13:3-7

Is The Message Consistent With the Word of God? – God won't contradict His Word.

Judges 13:9

Revelation 5:8

Sin hinders our communication with God – Isaiah 59:1-2

Proverbs 1:24-30

"and the angel of God" - This is a "Theophany, Christophony"

Judges 13:10-14

He is to be kept separate from all forms of defilement!

God doesn't deviate from His instructions here concerning the raising of children.

Deuteronomy 6:4-7

Proverbs are full of exhortation about raising our children but boil down to <u>2 things</u>:

- 1. Teach Children The Laws Of God Read The Word To Them. Prov 22:6
- 2. Discipline The Child When They Are Disobedient To Those Laws. Proverbs 29:15

Proverbs 9:17

Nothing changed in the New Testament. Ephesians 6:4

Micah 6:8

#### 2. Verses 15-23 – The Revelation Of The Angel:

Judges 13:15-16

Important principle – "All Glory And Honor Goes To God!"

Acts 3:12

Acts 3:16

Paul healed a lame man, and the people wanted to worship them: Acts 14:18

1 Corinthians 4:7

Revelation 4:9-11

Judges 13:17-18

Judges 13:6

Isaiah 9:6

Not only is His name wonderful but He is wonderful – full of wonder. He did a wonderful thing – he ascended to heaven in the flame

Judges 13:19-23

His wife was the voice of reason!

## 3. Verses 24-25 – The Birth Of Samson:

Judges 13:24

Judges 13:3

"named him Samson;" – unused root meaning to "be brilliant; the sun, sunlight, sunny"

Judges 13:5

Samson's Mission – "he shall begin to deliver Israel from the hands of the Philistines."

Judges 13:25

Proverbs 16:32

Proverbs 25:28

"self-control" - Gal 5:22-23

Eph 1:3

2 Peter 1:3-4

2 Tim 4:10

# Application:

- 1. Only As we Surrender To The Spirit, Will He Produce Fruit In Our Lives. And One Of The Characteristics Of That Fruit Is Self-control.
- 2. When We Receive A Message, The Question Should Be "Is The Message Consistent With The Word Of God?" God Won't Contradict His Word.
- 3. The Responsibility Of Parenting Can Be Simplified To 2 Basic Mandates:
  - 1. Teach Children The Laws Of God Read The Word To Them. Prov 22:6
  - 2. Discipline The Child When They Are Disobedient To Those Laws. Proverbs 29:15