

NOT ANOTHER HERO



Parkview
Christian Church
A Passion for God and Compassion for People

**All Comic book Heroes have
three things in common**

Tragedy

Issues

Decision

**Unfortunately that is
not the case for the man
we are studying**

SAMSON

**The Core Issue
(Judges 14)**

I Want It!

Samson went down to Timnah and saw there a young Philistine woman. When he returned, he said to his father and mother, “I have seen a Philistine woman in Timnah; now get her for me as my wife.”

Judges 14:1

I Want It!

Samson saw and Samson desired

We All See

**Where do you go
from there?**

Seeing becomes desire

Desire becomes lust

Samson Didn't Think it Through

**Samson did not consider how it
would impact his mission.**

**Samson did not care
what others thought**

**He did not consult God's word
(Deuteronomy 7:3-4)**

I Deserve It!

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. 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.

Judges 14:8-9

I Deserve It!

**On his way it says
he turned aside**

**When he arrives and the lion
carcass is still there**

**Bees have built a nest
and are making honey**

Samson decides to eat....

**What was
he thinking?**

What did he forget?

That's disgusting!

He did not kill the lion

How do you survive a lion attack?

His Commitment

(Nazirite of God)

Throughout the period of their dedication to the Lord, the Nazirite must not go near a dead body

Numbers 6:6

I Can Handle It!

Now his father went down to see the woman. And there Samson held a feast, as was customary for young men.

Judges 14:10

I Can Handle It!

**It's all because of the desire
at the beginning**

**If he had not acted out his lust he
would not be in this situation**

**There would be no reason
for him to be here**

No Lion

No Honey

No "Feast"

I Can Handle It!

**The drinking led to
bad influences (v. 11)**

**The bad influences led to
boasting and betting (v. 12-14)**

**The boasting and betting led to
being manipulated (v. 15-17)**

**The manipulation led to
being in debt (v. 18)**

Being in debt led to murder and theft (v. 19)

**Murder and theft led to
him loosing his wife (v. 20)**

**Samson thought he
could handle his sin
and until it was too
late he never
understood his sin
had a hold on him.**

**Are you
headed
down
his path?**