

AFFIRMATION OF GROWTH (15 MINUTES)

- **Check in:** Let each person share how their challenge went this week and one thing that God has taught them in facing it.
- **Opening Prayer:** Pray specifically for both those who struggled with the challenge and those who met their goal. Ask God to reveal truth and continue the work he began in each person.

BIBLE DISCOVERY (35-45 MINUTES)

- **Watch Video**
- **Big Idea for gGroup:** We should fear God and hyperfocus on His plans for us.
- **WHAT?**
 - **Read Judges 14:1-4**
 - Why did the parents disagree with the marriage?
 - What was this marriage going to do for God?
 - What was Samson's purpose as a judge? (Judges 13:4-5 if stuck)
 - **Read Judges 14:5-14**
 - What allowed Samson to rip the lion apart?
 - What is the answer to Samson's riddle?
 - **Read Judges 14:15-18**
 - Why did Samson's wife betray the most powerful man in the world?
 - Who did she fear more, Samson or the Philistines?
 - **Read Judges 14:19-15:8**
 - What emotion causes Samson to storm off and also to burn the fields?
 - What was the outcome of the wife and her father in the end?
 - Did Samson ever lose focus of his purpose?
 - **Read Judges 15:9-13**
 - Who did the Israelites fear more Philistines or God?
 - **Read Judges 15:14-20**
 - What ways did God help Samson?
- **SO WHAT?**
 - Can God use sinful men and their actions to further His plans? What are examples in Samson's life?
 - How is the wife's actions towards Samson similar to our actions towards God?
 - In what ways do emotions and desires positively or negatively affect our focus on God's plans for us?
- **NOW WHAT?**
 - Where in your life do you fear man over God?
 - What in your life causes you to lose focus on God's plans for you?
 - What are ways you need to hyperfocus on God's purpose for you?

CHALLENGE FOR LIFE (10 MINUTES)

- **One Challenge:** Has this passage revealed a point of growth or a needed change? Is there something you must do or voice in order to better obey God? Be specific and narrow it down with an "I will" statement
 - I will _____
- **Closing Prayer**