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## Judg. 13:24—14:4

## Samson Was Born

24 So, the woman gave birth to a son. And, she named him "Samson." Samson grew up, and Yahweh blessed him. 25 The Spirit of the Always-Present One began to work in Samson. This was while he was in the city of Mahaneh-Dan. It is between the cities of Zorah and Eshtaol.

## Samson's First Wife

14:1 Samson went down to the town of Timnah. There he saw one of the daughters of the Philistines. 2 When Samson returned home, he told his father and his mother: "I have seen one of the daughters of the Philistines down in Timnah. I want you to get her for me NOW as a wife!"

3 His father and his mother answered him, "Surely there is a woman from Israel that you can marry!? Why the Philistines? The Philistines are not even circumcised!"

But Samson said to his father, "No! Get that girl for me! She is the one I want!" 4 (Samson's parents did NOT know that Yahweh was involved. God was looking for a way to confront the Philistines. Why? Because they were ruling over Israel at that time.)