# The Strongest Man in the World

**Text:** Then Samson called to the LORD and said, "O Lord GOD, please remember me and please strengthen me just this time... (Judges 16:28)

### Intro: strength for the mission

## I. Samson's Strength

Samson & the lion

Samson & the 30 sets of clothing

Samson & the donkey's jawbone

Samson & the city gates

#### II. Samson Broken

Sin & misery - Judges 16:21

Father -

Mother - Judges 13:24

Blessing - Judges 13:24

The Holy Spirit - Judges 13:25

#### **III. Samson's Victory**

The object of the ridicule; v23-24

## IV. Samson's Antitype

#### **Application 1: Experiential**

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves; we are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not despairing; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. (2 Corinthians 4:7-10)

## **Application 2: Advent**

Samson

Our response

Our fruit