The last prayer of Samson

Judges 16:1-31

“Then Samson prayed to the LORD, "O Sovereign LORD, remember me.

O God, please strengthen me just once more, and let me with one blow get revenge on the Philistines for my two eyes."

(16:28)

1. How was Samson's great power revealed in Gaza (1-3)? But what was Samson’s weakness and how did the Philistines try to take advantage of it (5)? Although Samson loved Delilah, how did she treat him (6-9)? In what sense is it foolish and sinful for Samson to have fallen in love with Delilah?

1. How persistently did Delilah try to find out the secret of Samson's great strength (10-14)? But how do you think did Samson keep the secret?
2. What did Delilah use as a weapon to torment Samson (15, 16)? What happened to Samson at last (17-22)? But what did he not know (20)? What is the spiritual meaning of Samson’s hair (17; 13:5)? Figuratively speaking, what hair do we have that has never been shaved?
3. Why were the Philistines in high spirit (23,24)? How miserable had Samson become (25)? How might Samson have felt at that time? What were the two things Samson did during this miserable moment (26-30)? Describe Samson's faith and desire to pray to God to overcome his guilty conscience and despair.
4. How did God answer Samson's prayer, and what happened to the temple of Dagon (30,31)? Who is this God?