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## Judges 13:2-25

(2) There was a certain man from Zorah, of the stock of Dan, whose name was Manoah. His wife was barren and had borne no children. (3) An angel of the LORD appeared to the woman and said to her, "You are barren and have borne no children; but you shall conceive and bear a son. (4) Now be careful not to drink wine or other intoxicant, or to eat anything unclean. (5) For you are going to conceive and bear a son; let no razor touch his head, for the boy is to be a nazirite to God from the womb on. He shall be the first to deliver Israel from the Philistines." (6) The woman went and told her husband, "A man of God came to me; he looked like an angel of God, very frightening. I did not ask him where he was from, nor did he tell me his name. (7) He said to me, 'You are going to conceive and bear a son. Drink no wine or other intoxicant, and eat nothing unclean, for the boy is to be a nazirite to God from the womb to the day of his death!"" (8) Manoah pleaded with the LORD. "Oh, my Lord!" he said, "please let the man of God that You sent come to us again, and let him instruct us how to act with the child that is to be born." (9) God heeded Manoah's plea, and the angel of God came to the woman again. She was sitting in the field and her husband Manoah was not with her. (10) The woman ran in haste to tell her husband. She said to him, "The man who came to me before has just appeared to me." (11) Manoah promptly followed his wife. He came to the man and asked him: "Are you the man

## שופטים י״ג:בי-כ״ה

(ב) וַיָהָי אָישׁ אָחָד מִצַּרְעֵה מִמִשְׁפַּחַת הַדַּגִי (ג) וּשְׁמִוֹ מָגָוֹם וָאִשְׁתָוֹ עֲקָרָה וִלְא יָלֵדָה: (ג) וַיָּרָא מַלאַדְ־יִהוָה אֵל־הַאָשָׁה וַיִּאמָר אָלָיה הַנֶּה־נֵא אַתִּ־עֵקַרָה וְלָא יַלְדָתִ וְהָרִית וְיַלְדָתִ בן: (ד) ועתה השמרי בא ואל-תשתי יין וְשֶׁכֵר וְאַל־תּאֹכְלָי כַּל־טַמֵא: (ה) כִּי הָבַּך הַרָּה וִיֹלֵדָתִּ בֶּו וּמוֹרֵה לֹא־יַעֲלֵה עַל־ראשו כּי־נָזֵיר אֱלֹהֵים יִהֵיָה הַנַּעַר מִן־הַבָּטֵן וָהוּא יחל להוֹשִׁיע אַת־יִשִׂראַל מַיָּד פּּלשׁתֵּים: (ו) וַתַּבָא הַאָשָׁה וַתִּאמָר לָאִישָה רָאַישׁה האלהים בא אלי ומראהו כמראה מלאך האלהים נורא מאד ולא שאלתיהו אי־מזה הוא ואת־שמו לא־הגיד לי: (ז) ויאמר לי הַנֵּך הַרָה וִיֹלְדָתָ בֵּן וִעַתַּה אַל־תִּשׁתֵי ו יֵיו ושבר ואל-תאכלי כל-טמאה כיינזיר אַלהִים יִהִיָה הַנַּעַר מִן־הַבֶּטֶן עַד־יָוֹם מוֹתְוֹ: (פ) (ה) וַיֶּעָתַר מַנֵּוֹחַ אָל־יִהוָה וַיֹּאמֵר בֵּי אָדוֹנַי איש הַאָלהים אַשֵׁר שַׁלַחָת יַבוֹא־נַא עוד אלינוּ ויוֹדנוּ מה־נעשה לנער היוּלִד: (ט) וַיִּשְׁמַע הָאֱלֹהִים בָּקוֹל מַנִוֹחַ וַיַּבא מַלאָד האַלהים עוד אַל־האַשה וָהִיא יוֹשֶׁבֶת בַּשֹּׁלָה וּמנִוֹחַ אָישָׁה אָין עַמָּה: (י) וּתִּמַהֶר הַאִשֶּׁה וַתַּרַץ וַתַּגֵּד לָאִישֵׁה וַתִּאֹמֵר אַליו הַנָּה נָרָאָה אַלִי האָישׁ אַשָּר־בָּא בַיוֹם אַלִי: (יא) וַיָּקָם וַיָּלָך מַנִוֹח אַחָרִי אָשָׁתָו וַיּבאֹ אַל־האָישׁ וַיָּאמר לוֹ הַאַתָּה האָישׁ אַשֶׁר־דְּבָּרָתַ אֶל־הַאָשֵׁה וַיָּאמֶר אַנִי: (יב) וּיָאמֶר מַנוֹחַ עַהָּה יָבָא דְבָרֵיךּ מַה־יָהָיָה מִשְׁפּט־הַנַּעַר וּמַעֲשֵׂהוּ: (יג) וַיָּאמָר מַלָאָך

who spoke to my wife?" "Yes," he answered. (12) Then Manoah said, "May your words soon come true! What rules shall be observed for the boy?" (13) The angel of the LORD said to Manoah, "The woman must abstain from all the things against which I warned her. (14) She must not eat anything that comes from the grapevine, or drink wine or other intoxicant, or eat anything unclean. She must observe all that I commanded her." (15) Manoah said to the angel of the LORD, "Let us detain you and prepare a kid for you." (16) But the angel of the LORD said to Manoah, "If you detain me, I shall not eat your food; and if you present a burnt offering, offer it to LORD."-For Manoah did not know that he was an angel of the LORD. (17) So Manoah said to the angel of the LORD, "What is your name? We should like to honor you when your words come true." (18) The angel said to him, "You must not ask for my name; it is unknowable!" (19) Manoah took the kid and the meal offering and offered them up on the rock to the LORD; and a marvelous thing happened while Manoah and his wife looked on. (20) As the flames leaped up from the altar toward the sky, the angel of the LORD ascended in the flames of the altar, while Manoah and his wife looked on; and they flung themselves on their faces to the ground.— (21) The angel of the LORD never appeared again to Manoah and his wife.-Manoah then realized that it had been an angel of the LORD. (22) And Manoah said to his wife, "We shall surely die, for we have seen a divine being." (23) But his wife said to him, "Had the LORD meant to take our lives, He would not have accepted a burnt offering and meal offering from us, nor let us see all these things; and He would not have made such an announcement to us." (24) The woman bore a son, and she named him Samson. The boy grew up, and the LORD blessed him. (25) The spirit of the LORD first

יִהוָה אֶל־מַנִוֹם מְכָּל אֲשֶׁר־אַמַרָתִי אֶל־הָאִשָּׁה תִּשְׁמֵר: (יד) מִבְּל אֲשֶׁר־יֵצֵא מְגָּפֵן הַיַּיָן לָא תֹאכָל וְיָיָן וְשֶׁכֵר אַל־הֶשָׁתָ וְכַל־טַמָאָה אַל־תּאֹכֵל כָּל אֲשֶׁר־צְוִיתִיה תִּשְׁמָר: (טו) וַיָּאמֶר מַנְוֹחַ אֶל־מַלָאָך יִהוָה נַעָצְרַה־נָא אוֹתֶׁךְ וְנַעֲשֵׂה לְפַנֵיךָ גְדֵי עָזֵים: (טז) וַיֹּאמָר מַלאָר יָהוֹה אָל־מנוֹח אָם־תַּעַצְרְנָיֹ לא־אֹכֵל בַּלַחָמֶׁדְ וָאָם־תַּעַשָׂה עֹלָה לַיהוָה תַּעֵלַנַה כָּי לא־יַדָע מַנוֹח כּי־מַלאָך יִהוָה הָוּא: (יז) וַיָּאמֶר מַנָוֹחַ אַל־מַלאָך יִהוָה מֵי שָׁמֵד כֵּי־יַבָא דבריך [דְבָרָדָ] וְכִבַּדְנְוּדָ: (יח) וַיָּאֹמֶר לּוֹ מַלָאַד יִהוֹה לַמֵּה זָה תִּשְׁאַל לִשְׁמֵי וְהוּא־פֵּלָאי: (ס) (יט) ויָקָה מנוח את-גָדִי העזים ואת־הַמַּנָחה וַיַּעַל עַל־הַצוּר ליהוה וּמַפּלָא לַעֲשׂות וּמַנִוֹחַ וָאָשָׁתָּוֹ רֹאֶים: (כ) וַיָהָי בעלות הלהב מעל המזבת השמימה ויעל מלאר־יהוה בּלהב המזבח ומנוח ואשתו רֹאָים וַיִּפָּלוּ עַל־פָּנֵיהֵם אָרְצַה: (כא) וְלֹא־יַסָף עוֹד מַלָאָד יִהוֹה לְהָרָאָה אֶל־מַנְוֹחַ ואל־אשתו אז ידע מנום כּי־מַלאָך יָהוָה הָוּא: (כב) וַיָּאמֶר מַנֵוֹחַ אֶל־אָשָׁתָּוֹ מְוֹת נַמָּוּת כֵּי אֱלהִים רַאֶינוּ: (כג) וַתָּאֹמֶר לוֹ אַשׁתוֹ לוֹ חַפָּץ יָהוָה לָהַמִיתֵנוּ לא־לָקָח מידנו עלה ומנחה ולא הראנו את־כּל־אלָה וכַלֶּת לְא הַשְׁמִיעֵנוּ כּזָאָת: (כד) וַהַּלָד הַאָשֵׁה בֶּן וַתִּקָרָא אֶת־שָׁמִו שָׁמִשָּׂון וַיָּגִדָּל הַנֹּעַר וַיִברְכָהוּ יְהוָה: (כה) וַתּחֵל רוּח יְהוֹה לפּעַמוֹ בִּמַחָנָה־דָן בֵּין צַרְעָה וּבֵין אֵשִׁתַאָּל: (Ð) moved him in the encampment of Dan, between Zorah and Eshtaol.



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