

Samson and Delilah



Samson was a very strong man, but no one knew that the real reason he was so strong was because he had never cut his hair. Samson was a Nazirite, which meant that his life was dedicated to God from the moment of his birth. Nazirites never cut their hair.



Samson fell in love with a woman named Delilah, who lived in the Valley of Sorek.



The Philistines were looking for a way to kill Samson, so they went to Delilah and said, **“We will give you a lot of money if you can find out the secret behind Samson's great strength. We have to find a way to overpower him.”**



Delilah agreed. She asked Samson, **“What is the secret to your strength?”** Samson told her, **“If someone ties me up with fresh bowstrings, I'll become weak.”**



That night, after Samson had fallen asleep, Delilah tied him up with fresh bowstrings. Philistine men hid in the room, waiting to attack Samson. Delilah said to him, **“Samson! Wake up! The Philistines are upon you!”**



Samson woke up and broke the bowstrings easily, ready for battle.

Delilah was upset. She begged Samson many times to tell her the secret behind his strength. Finally, he told her, **“If my hair is cut, my strength will be gone.”**



That night, Delilah cut Samson's hair and the Philistines attacked him, blinded him, and overpowered him.

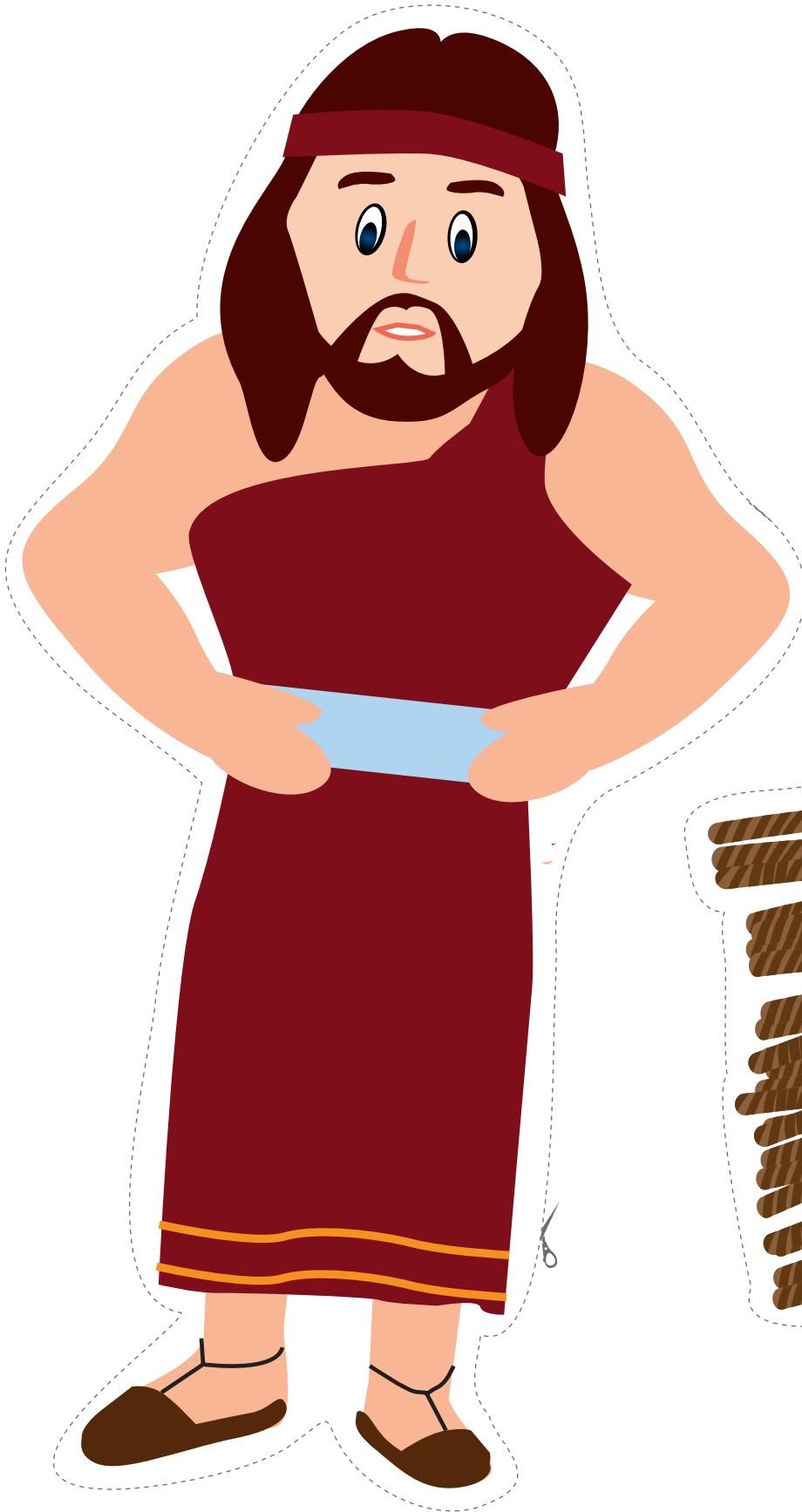


Samson was brought before the people as entertainment. He prayed to God and said, **“God give me my power one more time so that I may kill the Philistines.”**

God heard Samson's prayer, and he pushed against the pillars of the Philistine temple, bringing it crashing to the ground.

Samson died that day, but he was victorious in a great battle against the Philistines.

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BOWSTRINGS



DELILAH

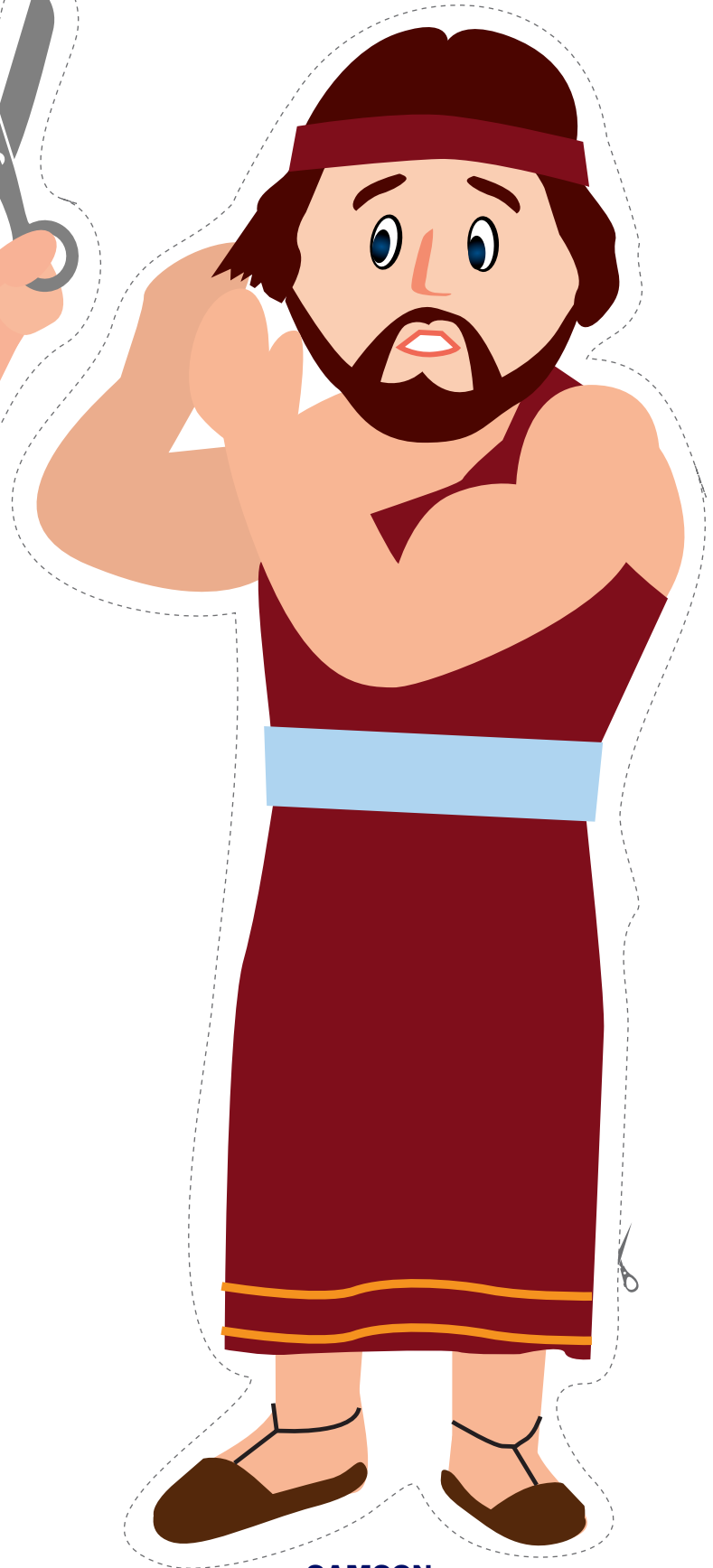


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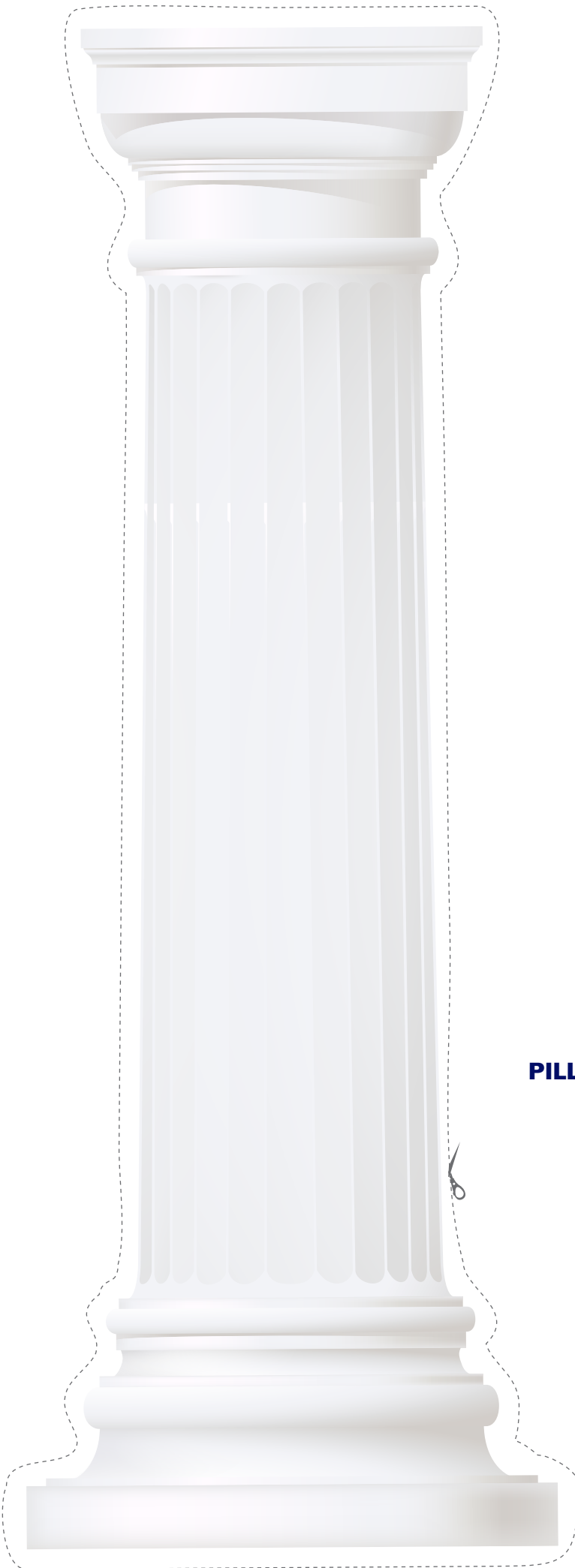
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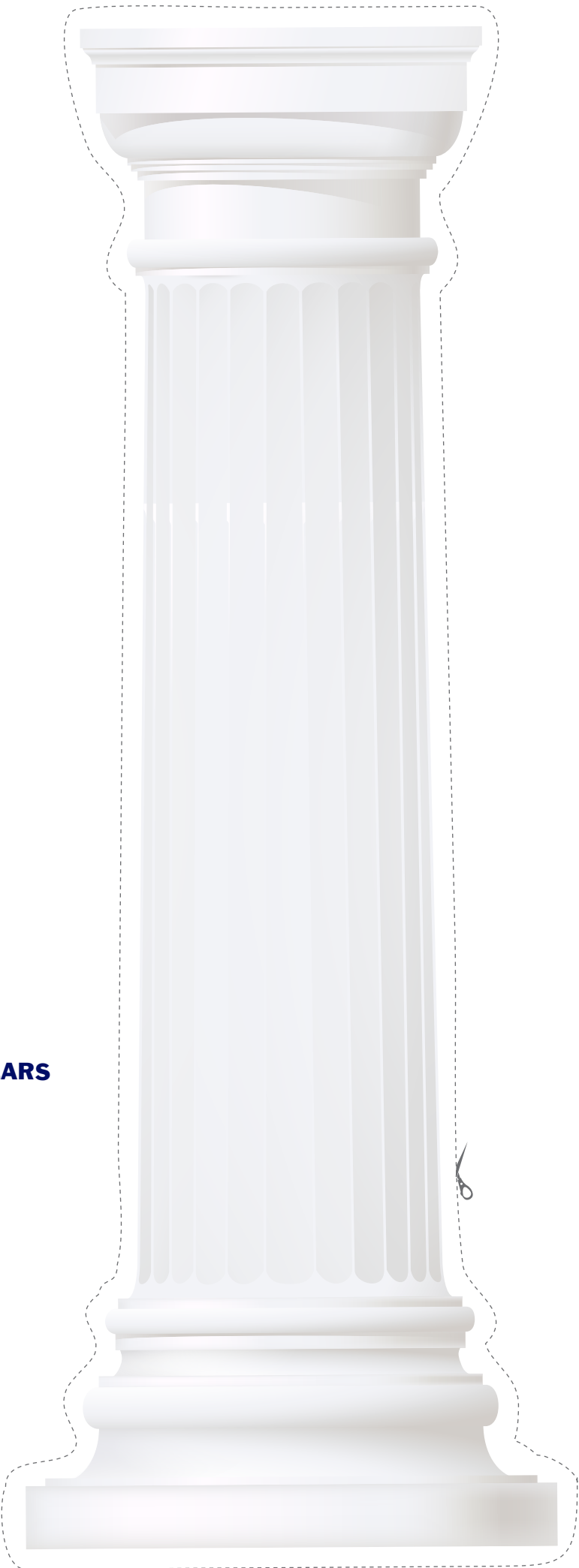


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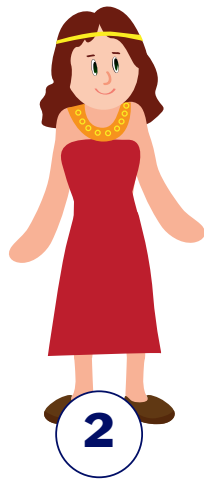
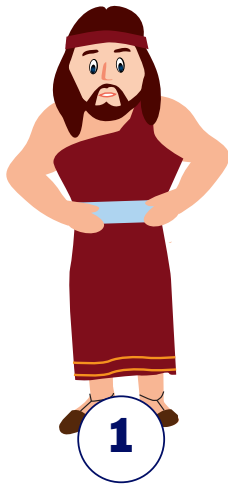
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