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Samson Agonistes as a Tragedy.

Samson Agonistes

- John Milton
- Epic poem, Paradise lost written in blank verse.
- William Hayley called him,
- "greatest English author"
- Lycidas(1637)
- On Shakespeare(1630)
- Paradise Lost(1667)
- □ Samson Agonistes(1671)

What is Tragedy?

- Tragedy is a type of drama that present a serious subject matter about human suffering and corresponding terrible in a dignified manner.
- "function of tragedy is catharsis" catharsis means purgation or purification

Tragic hero

- In the samson Agonistes. Samson is the Tragic hero,
 who born in philistines and fight against the israel.
- Samson has super natural power and the secret of the power is in his hair.
- The end of the drama samson distroyed the roof and dead with israel people.

Samson as a Tragedy

- Samson the great hebrew champion who has blinded and imprisoned by philistines.
- His weakness is in his hair if he cut of it they became a ordinary man.
- Dalila's temppation
- Philistines's arrest him and made him blind.
- Event of dagon
- He quits himself like samson by pulling the hall down on the head of his enemy and himself.

conclusion

In samson Agonist we find same element that dalila is the reason of death of samson, daila has told his secret of philistines but after the knowing the seduce of philistines she also remorse her mistake. But samson can not accepted his apologise.