

Women of Valour

Lessons from Deborah and Jael

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Various Types of Mothers

- ❖ Biological Mother
- ❖ Stepmothers
- ❖ Foster Mothers
- ❖ Adopted Mothers
- ❖ Mother-in-Law

Various Types of Mothers

- ❖ Grand Mothers
- ❖ Community Mothers
- ❖ God Mothers
- ❖ Church Mothers
- ❖ Mothers of Nations

The Rulers of Israel - Historical Context

Moses – Deliverer and Law giver

Joshua – Successor of Moses

Othniel – 1st Judge

Ehud – 2nd Judge

Shamgar – 3rd Judge

Israel's 4th Judge

God does something very different and unusual; he raises up a woman named Deborah, as a Judge, to lead the nation of Israel.

Judges 5:6-7 NKJV

- *“In the days of Shamgar, son of Anath, In the days of Jael, the highways were deserted, and the travellers walked along the byways. 7 Village life ceased, it ceased in Israel, until I, Deborah, arose, Arose a mother in Israel”.*

The Rulers of Israel

Deborah's Profile:

- Wife
- Prophetess
- Judge
- Mother in Israel

- Lapidoth – Husband of Deborah
- Jabin – Canaanite King
- Sisera – Commander of the Canaanite Army
- Barack – Commander of the Israelite Army
- Jael – A Bedouin woman

Judges 4:6-7 NLT

6 One day she sent for Barak son of Abinoam, who lived in Kedesh in the land of Naphtali. She said to him, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, commands you: Call out 10,000 warriors from the tribes of Naphtali and Zebulun at Mount Tabor.

7 And I will call out Sisera, commander of Jabin's army, along with his chariots and warriors, to the Kishon River. There I will give you victory over him."

Prophetic word to Barack

- "I will go with you, but you will not receive honour in this venture because Israel's victory over the enemy will be at the hands of a woman".

Conclusion:

God's choice of Deborah as Israel's leader, demonstrates His willingness to use anyone.

- As a godly woman you can be a leader in any space that God has assigned you to.

- God can use the foolish things to confound the wise and the weak things to confound the strong. (1 Cor 1:27)

- God will use anyone he chooses for His purposes. He looks at the heart not our gender or external characteristics.

- This story teaches us that we don't have to be the strongest, the smartest or the most powerful to be used by God. What matters is our willingness to obey Him.

Your roles, as a woman, whether visible or behind the scenes, is significant in God's plan.

- Let's appreciate and honour the 'Deborahs' and 'Jaels' in our lives today!



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