

DEBORAH - THE HONEYBEE

A few interesting characteristics about Deborah:

Her story is told t_____:

In Chapter 4 it is told as a n_____.

In Chapter 5 it is told as a p_____.

She is the only f_____ judge.

Her name means H_____.

Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the Lord, now that Ehud was dead. 2 So the Lord sold them into the hands of Jabin king of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor. Sisera, the commander of his army, was based in Harosheth Haggoyim. 3 Because he had nine hundred chariots fitted with iron and had cruelly oppressed the Israelites for twenty years, they cried to the Lord for help. Judges 4:1-3 NIV

GOD GIVES PEOPLE MANY R_____

4 Now Deborah, a prophet, the wife of Lappidoth, was leading Israel at that time. 5 She held court under the Palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the Israelites went up to her to have their disputes decided. Judges 4:4-5 NIV

P_____ W_____ J_____ M_____

*Villagers in Israel would not fight;
they held back until I, Deborah, arose,
until I arose, a mother in Israel. Judges 5:7 NIV*

- *If the only person in your life _____ care for is you, you will miss the Kingdom of God.*

God calls b_____ people.

GOD GIVES US SPECIAL O_____

6 She sent for Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you: 'Go, take with you ten thousand men of Naphtali and Zebulun and lead them up to Mount Tabor. 7 I will lead Sisera, the commander of Jabin's army, with his chariots and his troops to the Kishon River and give him into your hands.'" Judges 4:6-7 NIV

*God chose new leaders when war came to the city gates,
but not a shield or spear was seen among forty thousand in Israel. Judges 5:8 NIV*

Barak said to her, "If you go with me, I will go; but if you don't go with me, I won't go." Judges 4:8 NIV

"Very well," Deborah said, "I will go with you. But because of the way you are going about this, the honor will not be yours, for the LORD will hand Sisera over to a woman."
Judges 4:9 NIV

GOD GIVES V _____

Go, today is the day the Lord will hand over Sis-e-ra. The Lord has already cleared the way for you. Judges 4:14a NIV

O LORD, when you went out from Seir, when you marched from the land of Edom, the earth shook, the heavens poured, the clouds poured down water. Judges 5:4

The river Kishon swept them away, the age-old river, the river Kishon. Judges 5:21

At Barak's advance, the LORD routed Sisera and all his chariots and army by the sword, and Sisera abandoned his chariot and fled on foot. Judges 4:15 NIV

Note: God did not bring the rain until the army a _____.

GOD KEEPS HIS P _____

16 Barak pursued the chariots and army as far as Harosheth Haggoyim, and all Sisera's troops fell by the sword; not a man was left. 17 Sisera, meanwhile, fled on foot to the tent of Jael, the wife of Heber the Kenite, because there was an alliance between Jabin king of Hazor and the family of Heber the Kenite. Judges 4:16-17 NIV

21 But Jael, Heber's wife, picked up a tent peg and a hammer and went quietly to him while he lay fast asleep, exhausted. She drove the peg through his temple into the ground, and he died.

22 Just then Barak came by in pursuit of Sisera, and Jael went out to meet him. "Come," she said, "I will show you the man you're looking for." Judges 4:21-22 NIV

Good triumphs over evil when two things happen:

Men and women act in courageous f _____. God i _____.

Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God.
Psalm 20:7 NIV

Like the victory of salvation, it is likely to occur by g _____ though f _____.