

----- Deborah/Barak 33 years -----

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**352. Deborah, the wife of Lapidoth, a prophetess, judged Israel at that time in Mount Ephraim. Barak of the tribe of Naphtali, son of Abinoam, was made captain of the host of Israel. In a battle at Megiddo, they defeated Sisera, who was the captain of Jabin's army. Sisera was killed by Jael, the wife of Heber the Kenite. She did this in her own tent by hammering a nail into the temples of Sisera's head. Deborah wrote a song in memorial of that victory, and the land rested forty years after the former rest restored by Ehud. {#Jud 4:1-5:31} [L43]**

## **Judges 4**

**1 When Ehud was dead, the children of Israel again did evil in the sight of the LORD.**

**2 So the LORD sold them into the hand of Jabin king of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor. The commander of his army was Sisera, who dwelt in Harosheth Hagoyim.**

**3 And the children of Israel cried out to the LORD; for Jabin had nine hundred chariots of iron, and for twenty years he harshly oppressed the children of Israel.**

**4 Now Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lapidoth, was judging Israel at that time.**

**5** And she would sit under the palm tree of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the mountains of Ephraim. And the children of Israel came up to her for judgment.

**6** Then she sent and called for Barak the son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "Has not the LORD God of Israel commanded, 'Go and deploy troops at Mount Tabor; take with you ten thousand men of the sons of Naphtali and of the sons of Zebulun;

**7** 'and against you I will deploy Sisera, the commander of Jabin's army, with his chariots and his multitude at the River Kishon; and I will deliver him into your hand'?"

**15** And the LORD routed Sisera and all his chariots and all his army with the edge of the sword before Barak; and Sisera alighted from his chariot and fled away on foot.

**16** But Barak pursued the chariots and the army as far as Harosheth Hagoyim, and all the army of Sisera fell by the edge of the sword; not a man was left.

**23** So on that day God subdued Jabin king of Canaan in the presence of the children of Israel.

**24** And the hand of the children of Israel grew stronger and stronger against Jabin king of Canaan, until they had destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

## **Judges 5**

**31. "So may all your enemies perish, O LORD! But may they who love you be like the sun when it rises in its strength." Then the land had peace forty years.**