



Judges

Part #4 –
Vision

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Introduction

Key Scriptures

- And the children of Israel again did evil in the sight of the LORD, when Ehud was dead. – Judges 4:1
- And the LORD sold them into the hand of Jabin king of Canaan, that reigned in Hazor; the captain of whose host *was* Sisera, which dwelt in Harosheth of the Gentiles. – Judges 4:2
- And she sent and called Barak the son of Abinoam out of Kedeshnaphtali, and said unto him, Hath not the LORD God of Israel commanded, *saying*, Go and draw toward mount Tabor, and take with thee ten thousand men of the children of Naphtali and of the children of Zebulun? – Judges 4:6



Introduction – Cont'd

Key Scriptures

- And Deborah said unto Barak, Up; for this *is* the day in which the LORD hath delivered Sisera into thine hand: is not the LORD gone out before thee? So Barak went down from mount Tabor, and ten thousand men after him. – Judges 4:14
- So God subdued on that day Jabin the king of Canaan before the children of Israel. – Judges 4:23
- Praise ye the LORD for the avenging of Israel, when the people willingly offered themselves. – Judges 5:2
- Blessed above women shall Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite be, blessed shall she be above women in the tent. – Judges 5:24



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- Deborah, a prophetess
- Barak
- The questions that position
- Up – meaning, no time to waste
- Sisera
- Jael



In this lesson

- Where there is vision there is discipline
- Where there is no discipline there is no courage
- You will not have courage to will and to do if you do not believe



Vision

Where there is no clear prophetic vision, people quickly wander astray. But when you follow the revelation of the word, heaven's bliss fills your soul. – Proverbs 29:18

- Vision
 - The capacity to see things as they should be
 - Vision is powerful
 - The source of discipline
 - Vision controls your choices
 - People who discover their vision live longer
 - Vision dictates everything
 - Vision controls your choices



Discipline

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- Discipline
 - The key to achieving your vision
 - Discipline comes from vision
 - the root of leadership
 - Disciplined people live narrowly
 - A disciplined person attracts people
 - People trust a person they perceive as disciplined



Courage

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- Up - A call to rise higher, think bigger, dream greater, stand stronger
- Strength and purpose go along with timing
- The time for Israel's deliverance was NOW not LATER!
- The Lord was working along side of His instructions
- When the Lord says go forward, it is because He is with you
- When the people willingly offered themselves – Judges 5:2, 9, 20,21



Results

But Barak pursued after the chariots, and after the host, unto Harosheth of the Gentiles: and all the host of Sisera fell upon the edge of the sword; and there was not a man left. – Judges 4:16

- Deliverance from an unlikely source – Jael – Judges 4:18-22; 5:24
- Women of courage in the Bible
- The hand of the children of Israel prospered, prevailed against Jabin, king of Canaan



Conclusion

From the pages of Judges

- Be strong and very courageous, your victory may come by a way you may not have even considered



Next Week

We will continue next week, still in the book of Judges