# Leaders & Losers

# <u>Deborah</u>: God's Courageous Mama

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Judges 4:1-24

Judges Elevates the Position of Women among God's People.

Today, we'll see How GOD <u>Used</u> Courageous, Faithful <u>Women</u> to Free His people from the <u>Bondage</u> of their enemies.

God STILL uses Women for His glory Every Single DAY.

## 1. GOD'S PEOPLE LAPSED INTO SPIRITUAL <u>FAILURE</u> (vv. 1-3)

- Notice the <u>Spiritual</u> <u>Conditions</u> that <u>Existed</u> during the <u>Time of <u>Deborah</u>.
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- God's People Were <u>CORRUPTED</u> (v. 1)
- God's people Were **CORRECTED** (v. 2; Hebrews 12:9-10)
- God's people **CRIED OUT** (v. 3)
- Our goal should be to Be Right with the Lord in Every Area of our lives.

### 2. GOD SENT "HIS GIRL" FOR A SPECIAL <u>FUNCTION</u> (vv. 4-24)

- Deborah's <u>POSITION</u> was <u>Two-fold</u>, she was "<u>Prophetess</u>" & "<u>Judge</u>" (4-5)
- **Deborah's PROPHECY** was to **Simply <u>TRUST GOD</u>** And **GO TO <u>WAR</u>**. (6-7)
- Deborah's PROBLEM was Barak seems Scared. (8-9)
- **Deborah's PARTNERS** were **God & Jael.** (10-24)
- We <u>Thank</u> God for WOMEN who Love <u>God</u> & Love <u>His people</u> enough to do what is necessary to win the <u>Spiritual Battles</u> we face today.

#### 3. GOD'S VICTORY RESULTED IN A SONG OF <u>FAITH</u> (vv. 5:1-31)

- They Praised God For His <u>VIRTUES</u>. (vv. 1-12)
- They Praised God For His <u>VOLUNTEERS</u>. (vv. 13-18)
- They Praised God For *His <u>VICTORY</u>*. (vv. 19-31)
- It's NOT Numbers, Wealth or Human Ability that gets the job done, it's the Power of GOD!
- When the <u>Way gets Weary</u> & the <u>Path</u> gets Steep...<u>CARRY ON!</u> One day <u>JESUS</u> is <u>Coming</u>. (Revelation 22:12-14)