

Stand Out: Mother of All Warriors

Judges 4 and 5

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KEY FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS:

- **Deut 28:1-2:** If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. **2** All these blessings will come on you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God
- **Deut 28:15:** However, if you do not obey the Lord your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees I am giving you today, all these curses will come on you and overtake you
- **Deut 30:15-20:** *Covenantal blessing and cursing—obedience = life and prosperity in the land. Disobedience and idol worship = destruction (before Moses' death)*
- **Joshua 23 and 24:** *The Covenant Renewal before Joshua's death.*

SUMMARY OF JUDGES:

Judges 21:25 “In those days Israel had no king; all the people did whatever seemed right in their own eyes.”

Judges 2:11-20 *New generations who do not know the Lord do not obey the covenant. So God used the foreign nations to oppress Israel and draw them back to Him.*

Judges 4 and Chiastic Structure

1. The Setting of Israel // Judges 4:1-3
2. Deborah, the prophetess and judge // Judges 4:4-5
3. The Call of Israel's Army // Judges 4:6-13
4. The LORD, Israel's Warrior King // Judges 4:14a
5. The Rout of Canaan's Army // Judges 4:14b-16
6. Jael, the wife of Heber // Judges 4:17-22
7. Israel Arises, Canaan subdued // Judges 4:23-24

WHY DOES DEBORAH STANDOUT?

1. Deborah is a LEADER WILLING TO TAKE ACTION
2. Deborah has faith in the ULTIMATE DELIVERER: GOD
3. Deborah Celebrates the Victory!