
The Character of a Mother

Judges 4:1-23

The role of being a mother provides great training for leadership. The humility of motherhood provides great opportunity to be used by God. Those two truths became reality in the life of Deborah who became a judge in Israel. Deborah's life is an example of what we all should be willing to learn and put into practice as we serve God.

1. Deborah had learned how to _____

Judges 4:4-5; 5:2

- a) Deborah was a _____ (vs. 4)
- b) She gave _____ to the sons of Israel (vs. 5)
 - Deborah used God's _____ to lead others.

2. Deborah had learned how to _____ in God

Judges 4:6-7; 5:20

- a) She believed that God wanted to _____ the enemy (vs. 6)
- b) She believed that God uses _____ (vs. 7)
 - Deborah used faith to develop _____.

3. Deborah had learned how to demonstrate _____

Judges 4:8-9; 5:13

- a) Deborah was willing to _____ the enemy (vs. 8-9)

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- b) Deborah was willing to _____ others (5:2)
 - Deborah was willing to go with _____ into the face of danger.

4. Deborah had learned how to _____ others

Judges 4:14; 5:9

- a) Deborah had a _____ for the people (5:9)
- b) Deborah _____ the directions of God (vs. 14)
 - Deborah gained the _____ and confidence of others.

❖ Insight for life:

I will let God _____ my character and my humility so that I can serve God fully.

My Thoughts:

"The peasantry ceased, they ceased in Israel, Until I, Deborah, arose, Until I arose, a mother in Israel."

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1. Deborah had learned how to lead

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- a) Deborah was a prophetess (vs. 4)
- b) She gave judgments to the sons of Israel (vs. 5)
 - Deborah used God's word to lead others.

2. Deborah had learned how to trust in God

Judges 4:6-7; 5:20

- a) She believed that God wanted to defeat the enemy (vs. 6)
- b) She believed that God uses men (vs. 7)
 - Deborah used faith to develop confidence.

3. Deborah had learned how to demonstrate courage

Judges 4:8-9; 5:13

- a) Deborah was willing to face the enemy (vs. 8-9)

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- b) Deborah was willing to inspire others (5:2)
 - Deborah was willing to go with God into the face of danger.

4. Deborah had learned how to direct others

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- a) Deborah had a heart for the people (5:9)
- b) Deborah shared the directions of God (vs. 14)
 - Deborah gained the trust and confidence of others.

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