



WONDER WOMEN

of the Bible

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**“Behind every
great man there’s
a great woman,”**



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Deborah

What She was NOT

The Bible never record Deborah having any children

Thus its a good chance that Deborah was
not a biological mother

Its an important distinction because she breaks the
mold on how we usually view women in the Bible





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Deborah

a mother to Israel

Judges 4&5





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Deborah

not a Mother

but she was a wife



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A Woman living in a “man’s” world!

Now Deborah, a prophet, the wife of Lappidoth, was leading Israel at that time.

Judges 4:4



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Living in a “man’s” world

She was a one of the 12 judges of Israel

These were the individuals that guided the nation between the time of Joshua and the first King Saul

They were messy times and Israel constantly turned from God

Deborah was the only female member of the group



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She was a Prophet

This meant she was in direct communication with God

She was providing spiritual guidance to the nation

Again this is a title we usually associate with men in the Bible



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She was a Leader



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She Ruled

She held court under the Palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the Israelites went up to her to have their disputes decided.

v. 5



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She went into battle

There Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali, and ten thousand men went up under his command. Deborah also went up with him.

v. 10



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She Inspired

Then Deborah said to Barak, “Go! This is the day the Lord has given Sisera into your hands. Has not the Lord gone ahead of you?” So Barak went down Mount Tabor, with ten thousand men following him.

v. 14



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Ironically she gets lost in her own story

Barak -- The one who refused to go it alone

**Jael -- The wife of Israel's enemy who
killed her husband with a tent stake**



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Why Deborah?

Unlike Samson she was given no super powers

Unlike Gideon she did not get some miracle tactic

Unlike Samuel we are not told of some
whisper in the night calling for her



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**The only ability that
made her special
was her availability**



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Available

to Lead

to Hold Court

to Fight

to Command



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The Greatest Command

He answered, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind”

Luke 10:27



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Available

Heart: Emotion

Soul: Spiritual

Strength: Physical

Mind: Intellect



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100%

Available

**What could God
do with that?**

