

"Behind every great man there's a great woman,"



What She was NOT

The Bible never record Deborah having any children

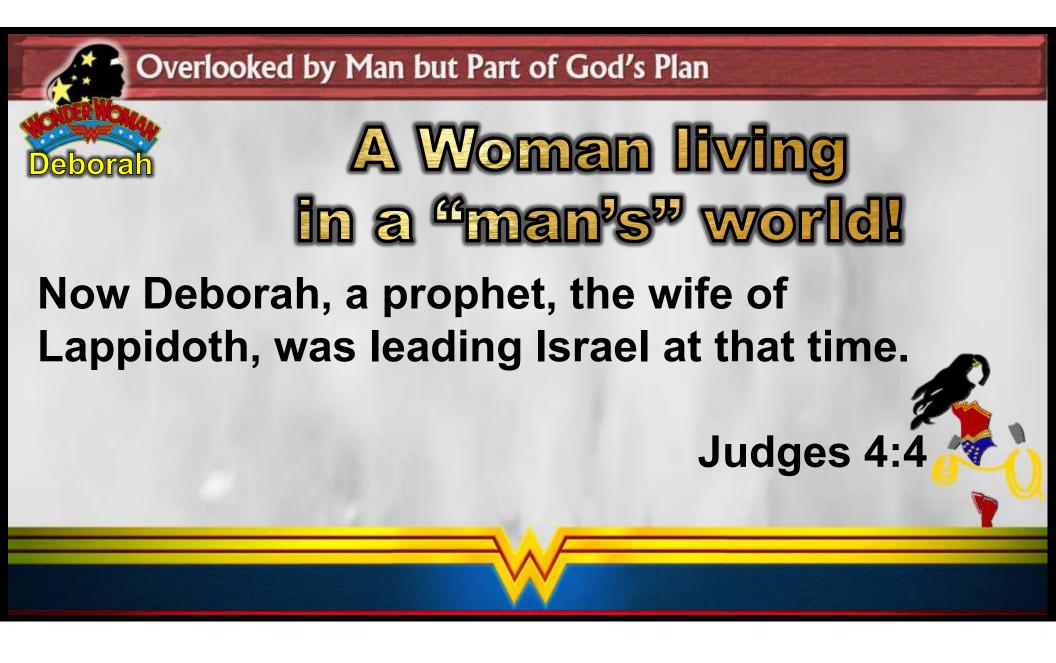
Thus its a good chance that Deborah was not a biological mother

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

Deborah a mother to Israel Judges 4&5



not a Mother but she was a wife



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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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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 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.

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

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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.

Barak -- The one who refused to go it alone

Ironically she gets

lost in her own story

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



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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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The Greatest Command

Luke 10:2

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"

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Available Heart: Emotion Soul: Spiritual Strength: Physical Mind: Intelect

