

Study 4: Deborah-
The woman leader
Judges 4:1-5:31

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Comprehension Question

1. What are the gifts and skills Deborah possesses (4:4-14)?
 - A. prophetess
 - B. wisdom
 - C. Leadership
 - D. Inspiring others
 - E. poet/musician
 - F. All of above
 - G. None of above. She had no gifts but God still used her.

Comprehension Question

2. Which of the following is FALSE?

- A. Of all the twelve judges mentioned in the book, none is depicted as the wise, talented, brilliant, and godly person that Deborah is
- B. Other than Deborah, Only Othniel is seen in such unmixed positive terms
- C. There is strong evidence that Deborah is a warrior
- D. Deborah works with a “team” of deliverers
- E. Deborah was a different in that she led from wisdom and character rather than sheer might
- F. Other than Deborah and Othniel, the rest of the judges are very flawed

Comprehension Question

3. Which of the following is FALSE?

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Comprehension Question

4. Which of the following is FALSE?

- A. The conservative view is challenged by the fact of Deborah's career. In 4:9 it is stated that Deborah was "judging" or "leading" Israel (the words are the same)
- B. Barak showed great faith to ask for Deborah's presence and help, and to go into a battle knowing that he would not get all the honor — that a woman would begin the campaign and another woman would end it.
- C. Deborah was only a judge because Barak and others were too timid
- D. The liberal view is challenged too, by the shape of Deborah's career. The liberal view denies the relevance of gender differences with regard to leadership.
- E. Conclusion we draw about gender must be tentative and tested against the rest of Scripture

Comprehension Question

5. It is a mistake to say the statements below, EXCEPT:

- A. men should always lead
- B. women are always better leaders
- C. men are always better leaders
- D. women are equal in dignity and capability
- E. women can do anything men can do and men can do anything women can do.

Comprehension Question

6. Which of the following is FALSE? (ALL TRUE)

- A. Barak conforms to the pattern of the great Deliverer — he empties himself of glory and becomes obedient (Phil.2), allow God to redeem the people.
- B. It was normal for Sisera's armies to steal and rape and subjugate women — one or two for every soldier as “spoils of war”.
- C. After making the lives of many women into hellish nightmares, now two women finally bring Sisera down.
- D. Deborah engineers the military campaign and Jael strikes the actual blow.
- E. God often uses people to do what he wants to happen without violating their personal responsibility or condoning their methods.

Comprehension Question

7. Below lists the differences in Song's description of the same events in chapter 5 verse the historical account in chapter 4. Which of the following is FALSE?

- A. the Song's approach is more theological
- B. chapter 4, the Lord is literally everywhere, chapter 5, it is only in 3 verses.
- C. the Song tells us other details we did not know about, such as the effects of idolatry on the social fabric (5:6-9)
- D. the Song tells us many of the Israelites failed to come to the aid of their brethren (5:15-18).