

# Deborah

**TEXT:** Judges 4:4-15

**SUPPLEMENTAL SCRIPTURES:** Judges 4:1-3,16-24; 5:1-31; Psalm 3:6

**KEY VERSE:** Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation. — Isaiah 12:2

True confidence in God is based upon following God's Word. False confidence brings defeat, and is based upon an unwarranted use of sacred things, such as the name "Christian." This actually is the name given to those who wholeheartedly follow the Lord. Today many suffer defeat and have no victory over sin because they are Christians in name only. Just because Israel was Israel did not guarantee their victory over their enemies. They had to wholly follow the Lord in order to have victory, and this is what Deborah did.

1. What was Deborah's occupation? What did that mean in terms of her civic responsibilities?

2. What characteristics of Deborah made her outstanding? How did the Lord use these characteristics?

3. Which verse shows Deborah was an inspiration to Barak?

4. The opposite of confidence in God is mortal fear. Using 1 John 4:16-18 as a reference, explain how to rid your heart of fear.

5. In Romans 8:35-39 we read of many things that we might face as we go through life, yet we can be more than conquerors through Him who loves us. How many of these experiences have you gone through? Give an example from your experience.

6. There are things that we must do in order to have a victorious life in Christ, without fear. Using God's Word as a guide, finish the following verses:

When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. — Proverbs 16:7

Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall \_\_\_\_\_. — Psalm 119:165

Be careful [worried] for nothing; \_\_\_\_\_

let your requests be made know unto God. And the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, which passeth all  
\_\_\_\_\_. — Philippians 4:6,7

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, \_\_\_\_\_:  
because he \_\_\_\_\_. — Isaiah 26:3

7. Listed below are the names of several men and women of the Bible. How does your experience compare with theirs?

Adam and Eve – temptation

Cain – hatred

Samuel – answering the call

Job – affliction

Daniel – purpose

Paul – thorn in the flesh

8. In this lesson we see God intervening for Israel against another nation, and giving them a physical deliverance. Today we do not wrestle against flesh and blood (Ephesians 6:12). What kind of deliverance can God give us? See Ephesians 6:13.