Study Guide on Judges 4:1-10

New International Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.

Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?

2. What does this verse mean to me?

3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Judges 4:1-10

(Judges 4:1) Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD, now that Ehud was dead.

(Judges 4:2) So the LORD sold them into the hands of Jabin king of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor. Sisera, the commander of his army, was based in Harosheth Haggovim.

(Judges 4:3) Because he had nine hundred chariots fitted with iron and had cruelly oppressed the Israelites for twenty years, they cried to the LORD for help.

(Judges 4:4) Now Deborah, a prophet, the wife of Lappidoth, was leading Israel at that time.

(Judges 4:5) 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.

(Judges 4:6) She sent for Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali and said to him, "The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you: 'Go, take with you ten thousand men of Naphtali and Zebulun and lead them up to Mount Tabor.

(Judges 4:7) I will lead Sisera, the commander of Jabin's army, with his chariots and his troops to the Kishon River and give him into your hands."

(Judges 4:8) Barak said to her, "If you go with me, I will go; but if you don't go with me, I won't go."

(Judges 4:9) "Certainly I will go with you," said Deborah. "But because of the course you are taking, the honor will not be yours, for the LORD will deliver Sisera into the hands of a woman." So Deborah went with Barak to Kedesh.

(Judges 4:10) There Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali, and ten thousand men went up under his command. Deborah also went up with him.

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?2. What does the verse mean to me?