

## **“Heroes Of The Faith” – BARAK**

**INTRODUCTION: Hebrews 11:32** – The period of the JUDGES.

- The “CYCLE” – Sin ... Servitude ... Supplication ... Salvation ...  
Silence ... the 3<sup>rd</sup> time for Israel.

**Judges 4:1** – They again enter the phase of SIN ... **3:30**

**4:2** – Then they enter the phase of SERVITUDE.

**4:3** – Then they enter the phase of SUPPLICATION.

**4:4** – Now they enter the phase of SALVATION.

**4:5** – Deborah was a “*mother figure*” to Israel.

**4:6** – Barak needed a little “*push*” from Deborah ... **4:3**

**4:7** – “*deploy*” = “*lure*” ... Barak is assured of victory.

**4:8** – Was this a response of great RELUCTANCE or RESPECT?

- Beware of PRIDE – Proverbs 29:23, Luke 18:14, James 4:10

- When we seek the “*credit*”, we take it away from God.

**4:17** – Sisera flees to the Kenite tent of Heber – **4:11**

**4:18** – Jael, Heber’s wife, agrees to hide Sisera – **4:19**, **4:20**

**4:21** – Sisera never saw it coming!

**4:22** – Who gets the “*credit*”? It didn’t go to Barak – **4:9**

**4:23-24** – Israel gets the SALVATION from God.

**5:1** – Deborah & Barak sing a duet ... The words are in Chapter 5.

- God appoints people to do His work ... You lose the blessing if you  
don’t do it ... But, it WILL get done!

- God always supplies the ability to do the task He’s called you to do ... all we  
have to do is TRUST Him ... He deserves the “*credit*”.

- Where are you in this “CYCLE”? Sin ... Servitude ... Supplication  
... Salvation ... Silence?

- The “*key*” to victory is always “*Supplication*”.

**CONCLUSION:** Barak or Deborah belongs in the “*Hall of Faith*”?

- Deborah had the heart of a MOTHER – **5:7**, **5:28**

- Barak didn’t care who got the “*credit*” ... he believed that  
“*When I can’t ... God can!*”

- We don’t see the big FAITH of the “*Heroes*”, but a big GOD.

- God wants to do mighty things ... THROUGH US ... so He gets all  
the “*credit*”.