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Song of Deborah

5:2. When the princes in Israel take the lead, when
  the people willingly offer themselves - praise
  the Lord?

3. Hear this, you kings! Listen, you rulers!
   I will sing to the Lord, I will sing;
   I will make music to the Lord, the
   God of Israel.

4. O Lord, when you went out from
   Seir,
   When you marched from the land of
   Edom,
   the earth shook, the heavens poured,
   the clouds paved down water.

5. The mountain foaked before the
   Lord, the One of Sinai,
   before the Lord, the God of Israel.

6. In the days of stranger son of Anath,
   in the days of Jael, the roads were
   abandoned;
   travelers took to winding paths.
7. Village life in Israel ceased, ceased until I, Deborah, arose, arose a mother in Israel.

8. When they chose new gods, war came to the city gates, and not a shield or spear was seen among forty thousand in Israel.

9. My heart is with Israel's princes, with the willing volunteers among the people Praise the Lord!

10. You who ride on white donkeys, sitting on your saddle blankets, and you who walk along the road, consider

11. the voice of the singers at the watering places. They recite the righteous acts of the Lord, the righteous acts of his warriors in Israel. Then the people of the Lord went down to the city gates.
12. Wake up, wake up, Deborah!
   Wake up, wake up, break out in
   song!
Arise, O Barak!
Take captive your captives, O son of
   Abinoan.

13. Then the men who were left
came down to the nobles;
the people of the Lord
came to me with the mighty.

14. Some came from Ephraim, whose
   roots were in Amalek;
Benjamin was with the people who
   followed you.
From Makir captain came down,
from zebulun those who bear a
commander's staff.

15. The princes of Issachar were with
   Deborah;
yes, Issachar was with Barak,
rushing after him into the valley.
In the districts of Reuben
there was much searching of heart.
16. Why did you stay among the campfires
to hear the whistling for the flocks?
In the districts of Reuben
there was much searching of heart.

17. Gilead stayed beyond the Jordan.
And Dan, why did he linger by the ships?
Asher remained on the coast and stayed in his cores.

18. The people of Zebulun risked their very lives;
so did Naphtali on the heights of the field.

19. Kings came, they fought;
the kings of Canaan fought at Jaanach by the waters of Megiddo,
but they carried off no silver, no plunder.

20. From the heaven the stars fought,
from their courses they fought against Sisera.
21. The river Kishon swept them away, 
    the age-old river, the river Kishon. 
    March on, my soul; be strong!

22. Then thundered the horses' hoofs - 
    galloping, galloping go his mighty
    steeds.

23. Cuse Neroz, said the angel of the 
    Lord. 
    'Curse its people bitterly, 
    because they did not come to help the 
    Lord, 
    to help the Lord against the mighty.'

24. Most blessed of women be Jael, 
    the wife of Heber the Kenite, 
    most blessed of tent-dwelling 
    women.

25. He asked for water, and she gave him 
    milk; 
    in a bowl fit for nobles she brought 
    him curdled milk.

26. Her hand reached for eke tent peg, 
    her right hand for the workman's 
    hammer.
She struck Sisera, she crushed his head, she shattered and pierced her temple.

27. At her feet he sank, he fell; there he lay. At her feet he sank, he fell; where he sank, there he fell-dead.

28. Through the window peered Sisera's mother; behind the lattice she cried out, 'Why is the clatter of his chariots delayed?'

29. The wisest of her ladies answer her; indeed, she keeps saying to herself,

30. Are they not finding and dividing the spoils: a girl or two for each man, colourful garments as plunder for Sisera, colourful garments embroidered, highly embroidered garments for my neck - all this as plunder? 181
31. "So may all your enemies perish,
   O Lord!
   But may they who love you be like
   the sun
   when it rises in its strength."