

## Heroes of Faith - Barak & Deborah

### Hebrews 11:32; Judges 4–5

### Overview of Study

Barak and Deborah show what everyday faith looks like: ask for godly support, obey God without delay, and let Him get the glory. God turned an impossible battle (900 iron chariots) into victory, and the land had peace for 40 years.

### Key Points

- **Faith seeks support:** Barak wanted God’s spokesperson present. Wise believers ask for help (Judg. 4:8; Heb. 10:24–25).
- **Obedience without delay:** Barak didn’t test or stall—he moved when God spoke (Judg. 4:6–10).
- **God directs outcomes:** Rain turned the riverbed to mud; chariots failed; God fought for Israel (Judg. 5:4–5, 20–21).
- **Credit to God, not self:** Barak accepted losing the “glory” so God’s plan would stand (Judg. 4:9).
- **Ordinary faith is powerful:** They did God’s will, then peace followed—no drama, just faithfulness (Judg. 5:31).
- **God uses men and women together:** Deborah (prophetess/judge) and Barak (commander) modeled humble teamwork (Judg. 4:4–5).

### Reflective Questions

1. Where do I need to ask for godly support instead of going it alone?
2. What step of obedience am I delaying that God already made clear?
3. When have I seen God “muddy the chariots” in my life—turning obstacles into openings?
4. Am I okay if someone else gets the credit while God gets the glory?
5. How can I practice “ordinary faith” this week—quiet, steady, consistent?

### Action Steps

- **Invite Support:** Text/call one mature believer to pray and partner with you on a current battle.
- **Move Now:** Take one concrete step today on what God already told you to do.
- **Give God the Glory:** Share a short testimony this week about God’s help, not your effort.
- **Team Up:** Look for one way to lift someone else’s calling like Deborah did for Barak.

### Conclusion

Heroes of faith aren’t always flashy—they’re faithful. Ask for help, obey promptly, and let God write the victory song. When He gets the glory, His people enjoy peace.