

## WONDER WOMEN - "I HEAR GOD AND OBEY GOD"

## LESSON OVERVIEW

Revelation: I Hear God and Obey God

Bible Lesson: Judges 4+5

Heart: God used Deborah to lead the Israelites out of bondage by her obedience

through hearing Him

Memory Verse: "Blessed is she who has believed that what the Lord has said to

her will be accomplished." – Luke 1:45

## **GAME**

- Musical Chairs
- 4-Corners
- Playground

#### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Page Team Lead for all communication of needs (supplies, parent assistance, medical, restroom breaks)
- NEVER leave the classroom without paging Team Lead
- NEVER be alone with a child this includes one on one conversations
- NO pictures or video recording is allowed in the classroom
- Every child and serve team member MUST wear their name tag

## **RULES**

- Respect

#### **DECLARATION**

"I am a child of God, full of His Holy Spirit. I am learning His ways. I am made to encounter and connect with Him daily. I am walking in His favor and carrying His presence wherever I go."

## CONNECT WITH GOD FOCUS

- Reformation



## REVELATION

**TEACHER PROMPT** | What does the voice of God sound like? (Allow response)

The voice of God sounds a lot like you. What that means is, God speaks to you through your thoughts and your understanding. Each of you in this room have heard the voice of God. You may hear me say that and say, "No, not me. I've never heard the voice of God." You totally have! If you have ever said, I knew I should not have done that! Or I knew that was going to happen, I just had a feeling that was going to happen! Those are all moments where you were being prompted by the voice of God and heard the voice of God. God is the only one who knows the past, present, and future, and because He is the only one with that knowledge, He's the only one that can tell you something before it happens! God is always speaking. Are you listening?

Today's revelation is, I Hear God and Obey God.

Let's pray, Holy Spirit, we welcome you here, we don't make room for you, but we give you the entire room. We ask you to teach us your ways so that we may know you and find your favor. Speak Lord, your servants are listening. Amen.

#### BIBLE LESSON

**TEACHER PROMPT** | If you memorize this story and this lesson, it will help you teach it in excellence and allow Holy Spirit to speak to you and through you.

BIBLE LESSON INTRO | Our Bible lesson today is found in Judges 4+5

Deborah was a busy woman. Her name means busy bee. Deborah was a woman of great wisdom, revelation, worship, and discernment. She heard and knew the voice of God – she also had a prophetic gift on her life. She had influence and walked in authority as a judge. Deborah heard the voice of God and obeyed God.

The story of Deborah in Judges 4 and 5 begins like many of the stories in the book of Judges - the Israelites were doing evil in the eyes of the Lord and were in disobedience. Their disobedience led to a period of suffering, 20 years. During this



time Deborah was leading Israel as a judge. The Israelites trusted in her. They knew she heard from God.

Before we get into today's story, we are going to learn some characters and you will listen closely and say certain things when I say people's names.

- When I say Barark, you say "Commander Barak" and solute!
- When I say Jabin, you say, "Evil Jabin" and make an evil face!
- When I say Sisera, you say, "Evil Commander Sisera!" and hold up your arm like a sword!

One day Deborah had the commander of Israel's army, Barark. (Commander Barak!) come to her so she could tell him that the Lord had commanded him to go and fight the evil Jabin's army. (Evil Jabin!) She prophesied that the commander of Jabin's (Evil Jabin!) army, named Sisera (Evil Commander Sisera!) would be given into Barak's (Commander Barak!) hand to be defeated once and for all. But Barak (Commander Barak!) said to her "if you will go with me, I will go, but if you will not go with me, I will not go."

Deborah responded to him saying "I will go with you. But because you have asked me this victory will not lead to your glory, but the Lord will give Sisera (Evil Commander Sisera!) into the hand of a woman."

Jabin (Evil Jabin!) and Deborah went to battle, Deborah said to him "Up! For This is the day in which the Lord has given Sisera (Evil Commander Sisera!) into your hand. Does not the Lord go out before you?" The Lord had all of Sisera's (Evil Commander Sisera!) chariots and all his army at the edge of the sword against Jabin's (Evil Jabin!) army. But Sisera's (Evil Commander Sisera!) ran away from the battle on foot and found himself at a woman's tent named Jael. And Jael greeted him and invited him into her tent and gave him milk to drink and a rug to sleep under. Jabin (Evil Jabin!) thought he was safe, but Jael knew he was an evil man. He began to fall asleep and asked that she would keep watch outside of the tent and if anyone asked if he was there to tell them no, and then he fell asleep. Jael went outside and grabbed one of the tent pegs and a hammer and while Jabin (Evil Jabin!) was sleep she killed him with the peg and the hammer. And just like the



prophet and judge Deborah had said, Sisera (Evil Commander Sisera!) was defeated by the hand of a woman.

Deborah heard God and obeyed Him. Her confidence in the voice of God grew in the secret places of worship. She drew strength and courage in the presence of God to do what He would as her to do.

Our revelation today is, I Hear God and Obey God.

**TEACHER PROMPT** | Ask Holy Spirit what He wants to do in this next moment. Ask children to bow their heads and close their eyes.

SAY | There is a call of God on your life that requires that you boldly arise like Deborah in your world. God has created you for a specific purpose. What was the last thing that God asked you to do? Who has He asked you to encourage to not give up? If Deborah would not have risen up in obedience to what God had asked her to say and do, the Israelites would have remained in bondage. What are you hearing God say to you and how will you obey God?

## SALVATION + DISCUSSION

**TEACHER PROMPT** | This invitation to an eternity with Jesus is huge! Be sensitive to what Holy Spirit wants to do in this time. Ask Him to think through your thoughts and speak through your mouth!

SAY | God loves YOU so much that He gave his only Son that anyone who believes, in Jesus, might be saved and have everlasting life, John 3:16. God wants to be close to you. He has taken every step to be close to you. If you have never accepted Jesus into your heart, you can today! (You can invite children to raise hands, come forward, etc. have everyone repeat prayer together)

**PRAYER** | Father God you are Holy. Holy Spirit, we thank you for all that you teach us and that we get to know you Jesus, we thank you for laying down your life so that we can be close to you. Jesus, would you forgive us from our sins. Would you come live in our heart forever. Amen.



**CELEBRATION** | At TLC one of our values is Celebration. If you made this amazing decision to give your life to Jesus today, please stand up so we can CELEBRATE YOU! Let's Celebrate our friends who gave their life to Jesus today! WOOHOO!!

**NOTE** | List names of any child that received Jesus today on the Feedback Sheet

**ASK** | Encourage children to participate by answering the below questions:

- + What did Holy Spirit highlight to you in this story today?
- + How do you think you would react in this situation if you were there?
- + What is our memory verse?
- + What was our revelation?
- + What was our Bible Lesson about?

#### **BENEDICTION PRAYER**

"Teach us your ways that we may know you and find your favor." – Exodus 33:13

#### **BIBLE TRIVIA**

1. What was our memory verse?

("Blessed is she who has believed that what the Lord has said to her will be accomplished!" Luke 1:45)

2. What was our revelation?

(I hear God and Obey God)

3. What was our Bible Story about?

(Deborah and the wisdom and prophecy she walked in)

4. Who was the brave woman who lived near Shiloh?

(Deborah.)

5. What does the name Deborah mean?



(Busy bee.)

6. Did God speak to Deborah Directly?

(Yes.)

7. Who was the cruel commander of the Canaanite army?

(Sisera.)

8. Who was Barak?

(A brave solider.)

9. What did Barak ask Deborah to do?

(Go with him.)

10. Deborah prophesied a woman would get the credit for the battle, who was it?

(Jael.)

11. What gifts did Deborah operate in?

(The gift of wisdom and prophecy.)

12. Who told Deborah he wouldn't go to battle without her?

(Barak)



# **SALVATIONS**

TEACHER PROMPT   Fill in the blank with the number of salvations:
FEEDBACK
Any feedback for the curriculum or classroom can be submitted on this page.  Your name and classroom name:
Feedback:
CELEBRATIONS
In a value of celebration, list any teacher or child wins such as salvation stories, teacher celebrations, anyone walking in the values, etc.  Celebrations:
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