



At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9
Kings & Kingdoms Part 2: Judges - Esther
Unit 7, Lesson 33

Deborah Leads the Israelites

Lesson Aim: To know God watches over His people.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: Who do you watch over?

GAME: Battleball

THE WORSHIP THE KING WHO WATCHES OVER US

Read Worship Scripture: Judges 5:1-3.

Sing songs and worship God. Bless and collect the offering.

Perform King City Chronicles script or read storybook.

THE WORD GOD GAVE DEBORAH THE VICTORY

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Parable of the Good Samaritan.

Today, we will hear how God sent Deborah to lead the Israelites.

Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Judges 4:4-9, 13-16. Find It First.

Highlight Key Verse: Judges 4:4-5. Pray. Read.

THE WAY GOD WATCHES OVER US

Why did God allow the enemy to make the Israelite's life very hard?

(They had done evil in God's eyes.) **How many years did they cry to the**

Lord for help? (Twenty years.) **Have you ever done wrong and then**

asked for God's help? God watched over His people. He listened to

their cries for help. How did God help them? Let's see how many

ways God watched over His people in this story. As children

brainstorm and name ways, remind them of story details below, so they

associate each detail with help from God. Choose a volunteer to draw a tally

mark on a board or piece of paper for each way God helped His people.

Name the ways God watched over His people:

1. God sent Deborah to help them do right in His eyes.
2. God sent Deborah to help them solve their disagreements.
3. God sent Deborah as a leader to free them from slavery.
4. God kept them safe in the battle against Sisera's army.

Name the ways God helped Deborah:

1. God gave her wisdom and courage to lead His people.
2. God showed her the right time to send Barak's army down the mountain.

Name the ways God helped Barak.

1. God gave him Deborah who agreed to go with him to Mount Tabor.
2. God sent 10,000 men to join Barak's army.

Name the ways God helped Barak's army.

1. God sent Barak as a good commander for them.
2. God gave them the victory as they chased away 900 iron chariots!

God watches over us and helps us, too. Let's say our Bible Memory

Verse promise about that. Together, say Psalm 121:1, 2, 4, 8 from the

Bible Memory Verse poster or Bible. **Today, your Treasure Treat is a**

Bible Memory Verse bookmark. The palm tree shape reminds us

that God sent Deborah to lead the Israelites. She sat under the

palm tree and helped them with their disagreements and problems

and she led them in battle. **At home, draw or write about a**

disagreement or problem you have on the back of your bookmark.

Then, ask God for His help. Do you need help with a disagreement

at home, at school, or with your friends? Has God put someone in

your life who can help you decide what is right and fair?

CHRIST CONNECTION:

The people needed a leader, so God sent Deborah. He gave Deborah

authority to make war and to judge Israel. Even though we have

judges that help make things fair, we still have unfairness in our

world. One day, God will send the perfect and all-powerful Judge to

make everything right and fair. Let's find that promise from God in

the Bible. Reveal Revelation 19:11. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Palm tree bookmark
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Deborah and Barak chasing Sisera's army
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Judge and Gavel Snack

GAME: You Be the Judge

CRAFT: Deborah's Palm Pinwheel

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Watch Tag, Hot Potato Scramble

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW