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Judges 4:4-5a

"...And the children of Israel came up to her for judgment.

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Judges 4:5b-6b

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Judges 4:6b

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Judges 4:9b

"And Barak called
Zebulun and Naphtali
to Kedesh; he went up with
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his command, and **Deborah** went up with him."

Judges 4:10

"However, Sisera had fled away on foot to the tent of **Jael**, **the wife of Heber** the Kenite; for there was peace between Jabin king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite." **Judges 4:17**

"And Jael went out to meet Sisera, and said to him, 'Turn aside...to me; do not fear.'

Then he said to her, 'Please give a little water to drink, for I am thirsty."

Judges 4:18a-19b

"Then Jael, Heber's wife, took a tent peg and took a hammer in her hand, and went softly to him and drove the peg into his temple...into the ground; for he was fast asleep... So he died."

Judges 4:21

"So...GOD subdued Jabin Canaan in the presence of the children of Israel. And the hand of the children of Israel grew stronger and stronger... until they had destroyed Jabin the King of Canaan."

Judges 4:23-24

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