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Judges 4:4-5:31

(4) Deborah, wife of Lappidoth, was a prophetess; she led Israel at that time. (5) She used to sit under the Palm of Deborah, between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the Israelites would come to her for decisions. (6) She summoned Barak son of Abinoam, of Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The LORD, the God of Israel, has commanded: Go, march up to Mount Tabor, and take with you ten thousand men of Naphtali and Zebulun. (7) And I will draw Sisera, Jabin's army commander, with his chariots and his troops, toward you up to the Wadi Kishon; and I will deliver him into your hands." (8) But Barak said to her, "If you will go with me, I will go; if not, I will not go." (9) "Very well, I will go with you," she answered. "However,

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(ד) וּדְבוֹרָה אִּשְׁה נְבִיאָֹה אֵשֶׁת לַפִּידָוֹת הֵיא שֹפְטָה אֶת־יִשְׂרָאֵל בָּעֵת הַהָּיא: (ה) וְיִהְיא יוֹשֶּׁבֶת תַחַת־תֹּמֶר דָבוֹרָה בֵּין הָרָמֵה וּבֵין בֵּית־אֵל בִּהַר אֵפְרֵיִם וַיַּעַלְוּ אֵלֵיהָ בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל לָמִשְׁפֵּט: (ו) וַתִּשְׁלָּח וַתִּקְרָא לְבָרֶק בֶּן־אֲבִינֹעַם מִקֶּדֶשׁ וַ נִפְתָּלֵי וַתֹּאמֶר אֵלָיו הַלְּא צִוָּה יהוה אֵלהֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל לֵדְ וּמְשַׁכִּתָּ בַּהַר תָּבוֹר וִלָּקַחָתָּ עִמִּדְּ עֵשֵׂרֵת אָלְפִים אִישׁ מִבְנֵי נַפְתָּלֵי וּמִבְנֵי זְבַלְוּן: (ז) וּמְשַׁכְהִּי אֵלֶיךְ אֶל־נַחַל קִישׁוֹן אֶת־סִיסִרָאֹ שַׂר־צִּבֶא יָבִין וְאֵת־רָכְבָּוֹ וְאֵת־הַמוֹנְוֹ וּנְתַהֵּיהוּ בְּיָדֶך: (ח) וַיָּאֹמֶר אֵלֶיהָ בְּרָׁק אִם־תַּלְכִי עִמָּי וְהָלֶּכְהִי וְאִם־לְא תַלְבֵי עִמְי לְא אֵלֵך: (ט) וַתִּאֹמֶר

there will be no glory for you in the course you are taking, for then the LORD will deliver Sisera into the hands of a woman." So Deborah went with Barak to Kedesh. (10) Barak then mustered Zebulun and Naphtali at Kedesh; ten thousand men marched up after him; and Deborah also went up with him. (11) Now Heber the Kenite had separated from the other Kenites, descendants of Hobab, father-in-law of Moses, and had pitched his tent at Elon-bezaanannim, which is near Kedesh. (12) Sisera was informed that Barak son of Abinoam had gone up to Mount Tabor. (13) So Sisera ordered all his chariots—nine hundred iron chariots—and all the troops he had to move from Harosheth-goiim to the Wadi Kishon. (14) Then Deborah said to Barak, "Up! This is the day on which the LORD will deliver Sisera into your hands: the LORD is marching before you." Barak

הַלְדְּ אֵלֵדְ עִפָּׂדְ אֵפֶס כִּי לֹא תָהְוָה הָפָאַרִתִּדְּ עַל־הַדֵּרֶדְ אֲשֶׁר אַתָּה הוֹלֵךְ כֵּי בְיַד־אִּשָּׁה יִמִכְּר יהוה אַת־סֵיסָרָא וַתַּקָם דִּבוֹרָה וַתֵּלֶדְ עִם־בָּרֶק הֶקְיִשְׁה: (י) וַיַּזִעֵּק בָּרָק אֶת־זְבוּלֵן וְאֶת־נַפְּתָּלִי לֵּדְשָׁה וַיִּעַל בָּרַגִּלָּיו עַשֵּׂרֵת אַלְפֵי אָישׁ וַתְּעַל עִמְּוֹ דָבוֹרֶה: (יא) וְחֲבֵר הַקֵּינִי נִפְרֶד מִלַּיִן מִבְּנֵי חֹבֶב חֹתֵן מֹשֵׁה וַיֵּט אָהֵלוֹ עַד־אֵילְוֹן (בצענים) (יב) אַשֵר אָת־קֵדָשׁ: (יב) וַיַּגָּדוּ לְסֵיסָרָא כֵּי עַלֵה בַּרָק בּן־אֵבִינְעַם הַר־תַּבְוֹר: (יג) וַיַּזְעֵׁק סַיסָרָא אָת־כַּל־רָכִבּוֹ תִּשֵׁע מֵאוֹת רֶכֶב בַּרְזֵל וָאֶת־כַּל־הַעָם אֲשֶׁר אָתִוֹ מַחַרְשָׁת הַגּוֹיֵם אֱל־נַחַל קִישִׁוֹן: (יד) וַתֹּאמֶר דָבֹרָה אֶל־בָּרָק קֹוּם כִּי זֶה הַיּוֹם אֲשֵׁר נָתַן יהוה אֱת־סְיסִרָא בְּיַבֶּׁךְ הַלְא יהוה יַצֵא לְפַנֵיךְ וַיַּרֶד בַּרַלְ מָהָר תַּבוֹר וַעֲשֵׂרָת אַלְפִים אָישׁ אַחֲרָיו: (טו) וַיַּהָם יהוה

charged down Mount Tabor, followed by the ten thousand men, (15) and the LORD threw Sisera and all his chariots and army into a panic before the onslaught of Barak. Sisera leaped from his chariot and fled on foot (16) as Barak pursued the chariots and the soldiers as far as Harosheth-goiim. All of Sisera's soldiers fell by the sword; not a man was left. (17) Sisera, meanwhile, had fled on foot to the tent of Jael, wife of Heber the Kenite; for there was friendship between King Jabin of Hazor and the family of Heber the Kenite. (18) Jael came out to greet Sisera and said to him, "Come in, my lord, come in here, do not be afraid." So he entered her tent, and she covered him with a blanket. (19) He said to her, "Please let me have some water; I am thirsty." She opened a skin of milk and gave him some to drink; and she covered him again. (20) He said to her, "Stand at the entrance of the tent. If anybody

אֶת־סִיסְרָא וְאֵת־כָּל־הָרֶכֶב וְאֶת־כָּל־הַמַּחֲנֶה לְפִי־חֱרֶב לִפְנֵי בְרֶק וַיֶּרֶד סְיסְרָא מֵעַל הַמֶּרְכְּבָה וַיָּנָס בְּרַגְלֵיו: (טז) וּבְרָק רְדֵּף אַחֲרֵי הָרֶכֶב וִאַחַרֵי הַמַּחַנֵּה עַד חַרְשֵׁת הַגוֹיָם וַיִּפּל כָּל־מַחֲגֵה סִיסְרָא (יי) לְפִי־חֶׁרֶב לְא נִשְׁאַר עַד־אֵחֶד: וְסֵיסָרָאֹ נָס בִּרָגְלַיו אֵל־אָהֵל יַעֵּׁל אַשַׁת חֲבֵר הַקּינִי כֵּי שָׁלוֹם בֵּין יָבִין מֶלֶךְ־חַצוֹר וּבֶּין בֵּית חֲבֵר הַקּינֵי: (יח) וַתַּצֵא יָעַל ֹּלְקְרָאת סִיסָרָא וַתְּאֹמֶר אֱלָיו סוּרָה אֲדֹנֵי סוּרָה אֱלֵי אַל־תִּירָא וַיֵּסַר אֵלֵיהָ הָאֹהֵלָה וַתְּכַמֶּהוּ בַּשִּׂמִיכָה: (יט) וַיָּאמֶר אֵלֵיהָ הַשִּׁקִינִי־נֵא מִעַט־מַיִם כֵּי צַמֵאתִי וַתִּפְתַּח אֵת־נָאוד הַחָלֵב וַתִּשְׁקֵהוּ וַתִּכַפֶּהוּ: (כ) וַיָּאׁמֵר אֱלֵיהָ עֲמָד פֶּתַח הָאָהֵל וִהָיָה אָם־אִּישׁ יָבֹא וּשָׁאֵלֵךְ וָאָמֵר הַיֵשׁ־פָּה אֵישׁ וָאַמֵּרָתִּ אַיִן: (כא) וַתִּקַח יַעֵל אֱשֶׁת־חֶבֶר אֱת־יִתַּד הָאֹהֶל וַתְּשֶׂם

comes and asks you if there is anybody here, say 'No.'" (21) Then Jael wife of Heber took a tent pin and grasped the mallet. When he was fast asleep from exhaustion, she approached him stealthily and drove the pin through his temple till it went down to the ground. Thus he died. (22) Now Barak appeared in pursuit of Sisera. Jael went out to greet him and said, "Come, I will show you the man you are looking for." He went inside with her, and there Sisera was lying dead, with the pin in his temple. (23) On that day God subdued King Jabin of Canaan before the Israelites. (24) The hand of the Israelites bore harder and harder on King Jabin of Canaan, until they destroyed King Jabin of Canaan. (1) On that day Deborah and Barak son of Abinoam sang: (2) When locks go untrimmed in Israel, When people dedicate themselves— Bless the LORD! (3) Hear, O kings! Give ear, O potentates! I will sing,

אַת־הַמַּקבת בִּיָדָה וַתָּבָוֹא אֵלַיוּ בַּלָּאט וַתִּתִקע אֱת־הַיָּתֵד בְּרַקּּתוֹוּ וַתִּצְנַח בָּאָבֶץ וְהְוּא־נִרְדָּם וַיָּעַף וַיָּמְת: (כב) וִהְגֵּה בָרָק רֹדֵף אַת־סִיסָרָא וַתַּצֵא יָעַל לְקָרָאתׁו וַתְּאֹמֶר לֹוֹ לֵדְ וְאַרְאֶּדְ אֶת־הָאָישׁ אַלֵּיהָ מָבַקָּשׁ וַיָּבָא אֵלֵיהָ וָהָגָה סֵיסְרָאֹ נֹפֵל מֵׁת וְהַיָּתֵד בַּרָקָתְוֹ: (כג) וַיַּכְנַע אֱלֹהִים בַּיְּוֹם הַהוֹא אָת יָבֵין מֱלֶדְ־כָּנָעַן לְפָנֵי בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל: (כד) וַתִּּלֶךְ יַד בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל הַלְוֹךְ וָקַשָּׁה עַל יָבֵין מֵלֶךְ־כָּנַעַן עַד אַשֵׁר הִכִּרִיתוּ אָת יָבֵין מֱלֶדְ־כָּנָעַן: (א) וַהַשְׁר דְבוֹרֶה וּבָרֶק (א) פּ (ב) :בֶּוֹיאֵבִינְעַם בַּיִּוֹם הַהָּוֹא לֵאמָר: בּפָרָעַ פָּרָעוֹת בִּישִׂרָאֵל בִּהְתְנַדֵּב עָם בֶּרְכְוּ יהוה: (ג) שִׁמְעוּ מְלָכִים הַאָּזֵינוּ רְזְנֵים אַנֹכִי לֵיהוה אַנֹכֵי אָשִּׁירָה אֲזַמֵּר לַיהוה אֱלֹהֵי יִשֹׁרָאֵל: (ד) יהוה בִּצֵאתִדְּ מִשֵּׁעִיר בּצַעִדְּךְּ מִשִּׂרֵה אֵלוֹם אֵרֵץ רָעָשָׁה

will sing to the LORD, Will hymn the LORD, the God of Israel. (4) O LORD, when You came forth from Seir, Advanced from the country of Edom, The earth trembled; The heavens dripped, Yea, the clouds dripped water, (5) The mountains quaked—Before the LORD, Him of Sinai, Before the LORD, God of Israel. (6) In the days of Shamgar son of Anath, In the days of Jael, caravans ceased, And wayfarers went By roundabout paths. (7) Deliverance ceased, Ceased in Israel, Till you arose, O Deborah, Arose, O mother, in Israel! (8) When they chose new gods, Was there a fighter then in the gates? No shield or spear was seen Among forty thousand in Israel! (9) My heart is with Israel's leaders, With the dedicated of the people—Bless the LORD! (10) You riders on tawny she-asses, You who sit on saddle rugs, And you wayfarers, declare it! (11) Louder than the sound of archers, There

גַם־שַׁמַיִם נַטָפוּ גַם־עַבֵּים נַטִפוּ מְיִם: (ה) הָרָים נְזְלְוּ מִפְּגֵי יהוה זֵה סִינִּי מִפְּנֵי יהוה אֱלֹהֵי יִשְׂרָאֱל: (ו) בִּימֵי שַׁמִגַּר בּן־עַנַת בִּימֵי יַעֵּׁל חָדְלִוּ אָרָחָוֹת וְהֹלְכֵי נִתִיבוֹת יֵלְכֿוּ אַרַחוֹת עַקַלְקּלְוֹת: (ז) חַדְלְוּ פְרַזִוֹן בּיִשָּׂרָאֵל חָדֵלוּ עַד שַׁקַּמְתִּי דְּבוֹרֶה שַׁקַמָתִּי אֱם בִּיִשְׂרָאֵל: (ח) יִבְחַר אַלהֵים חַדָשִׁים אָז לַחֵם שִׁעַרִים מָגֵן אָם־יֵרָאֵהֹ וַרְּמַח בְּאַרְבַּעִים אֶלֶף בְּיִשִׂרָאֵל: (ט) לְבִּי לְחוֹקְקֵי יִשְׂרָאֵׁל הַמֶּתְנַדְּבֵים בַּעָם בַּרְכִוּ יהוה: (י) רֹכָבֵי אֲתֹנוֹת צְחֹרוֹת ישָבֵי עַל־מָדֵין וְהֹלְכֵי עַל־דֵּרֶךְ שֵׁיחוּ: (יא) מִקּוֹל מְחַצִּצִׁים בֵּין מַשָּׁאַבִּים שָם יִתַנּוֹּ צִּדְקְוֹת יהוה צִדְקֹת פָּרְזוֹנְוֹ בִּיִשְׂרָאֻל אֱז יֶרְדְוּ לַשִּׁעַרִים עַם־יהוה: (יב) עוּרֵי עוּרִי דבובה עורי עורי דַבּרִי־שִׁיר קום בָּרֶק וְשָׁבֶה שֵׁבִיךְּ בֵּן־אֲבִינְעַם: (יג) אַז יִרָד שַׂרִיד לְאַדִּירִים עַם יהוה

among the watering places Let them chant the gracious acts of the LORD, His gracious deliverance of Israel. Then did the people of the LORD March down to the gates! (12) Awake, awake, O Deborah! Awake, awake, strike up the chant! Arise, O Barak; Take your captives, O son of Abinoam! (13) Then was the remnant made victor over the mighty, The LORD's people won my victory over the warriors. (14) From Ephraim came they whose roots are in Amalek; After you, your kin Benjamin; From Machir came down leaders, From Zebulun such as hold the marshal's staff. (15) And Issachar's chiefs were with Deborah; As Barak, so was Issachar— Rushing after him into the valley. Among the clans of Reuben Were great decisions of heart. (16) Why then did you stay among the sheepfolds And listen as they pipe for the flocks? Among the clans of Reuben Were great searchings of

יָרַד־לֵי בַּגִבּוֹרֵים: (יד) מִנֵּי אֵפְרַיִם שְׁרְשָׁם בַּעֲמָלֵק אַחֲרֶידְּ בִּנְיָמִין בַּצַמְמֻידְ מִנִּי מָכִיר יָרִדוּ מִחְקּלִּים וּמִּזְבוּלֶן משְׁכִים בְּשֵׁבֶט ספֵר: (טו) וְשָׁרֵי בִּישָּׁשכָר עִם־דִּבֹרָה וִישָּׁשכָר בֵן בָּרָק בָּעֵמֵק שָׁלַח בִּרָגלֵיו בִּפְלַגְּוֹת רָאוּבֵּן גִּדֹלְים חִקְקֵי־לֶב: (טז) לָמְה יָשַׁבִתָּ בֵּין הַמִּשִׁפִּתִׁים לִשָּׁמְעַ שִּׁרְקוֹת עַדְרֵים לִפְּלַגְּוֹת רָאוּבֶּן גִּדוֹלֵים חָקְרֵי־לֵב: (יז) גִּלְעַׁד בַּעַבֵּר הַיַּרְדֵּן שָׁבֶּו וְדָּוֹ לֻמָּה יָגִוּר אָנְיָוֹת אָשֵׁר יָשֵׁב לְחְוֹף יַמִּים וְעֵל מִפְרָצֵיו יִשִּׁכְּוֹן: (יח) זִבְלוּוְ עַם חֵרֵף נָפִשׁוֹ לַמִּוּת וְנַפְתַּלֵי עַל מִרוֹמֵי שָּׁדֵה: (יט) בָּאוּ מִלְכִים נִלְּחָמוּ אָז וָלְחֵמוּ מַלְכֵי כִנַּעוֹ בִּתַעְנֵךְ עַל־מֵי מָגְדָּוֹ בֶּצַע כֶּסֶף לְא לָקָחוּ: (כ) מו־שַׁמַיִם נִלְחָמוּ הַכְּוֹכָבִיםׂ מִמְּסִלּוֹתָּם נִלְחֲמְוּ עִם־סֵיסָרֵא: (כא) נַחַל קִישׁוֹן גָרַפָּׁם נַחַל קִדוּמֵים נַחַל קישון תִּדְרָכֵי נַפִּשִי עוֹ: (כב) אָז

heart! (17) Gilead tarried beyond the Jordan; And Dan—why did he linger by the ships? Asher remained at the seacoast And tarried at his landings. (18) Zebulun is a people that mocked at death, Naphtali on the open heights. (19) Then the kings came, they fought: The kings of Canaan fought At Taanach, by Megiddo's waters— They got no spoil of silver. (20) The stars fought from heaven, From their courses they fought against Sisera. (21) The torrent Kishon swept them away, The raging torrent, the torrent Kishon. March on, my soul, with courage! (22) Then the horses' hoofs pounded As headlong galloped the steeds. (23) "Curse Meroz!" said the angel of the LORD. "Bitterly curse its inhabitants, Because they came not to the aid of the LORD, To the aid of the LORD among the warriors." (24) Most blessed of women be Jael, Wife of Heber the Kenite, Most blessed of women in

הַלְמָוּ עִקָּבֵי־סָוּס מֶדַּהַרְוֹת דַּהַרְוֹת אַבִּירֵיו: (כג) אְוֹרוּ מֵרוֹז אָמַר' מַלְאַדְּ יהוה אָרוּ אָרְוֹר ישׁבֵיהָ כִּי לא־בָּאוֹ לְעַזְרֵת יהוה לְעַזְרֵת יהוה בַּגִּבּוֹרֶים: (כד) תִּבֹרַךְ מִנָּשִּׁים יַעֵּׁל אֲשֵׁת חֲבֶר הַקֵּינֵי מִנְּשִׁים בְּאְהֶל תְּבֹרֶף: (כה) מַיִם שָׁאַל חְלָב נְתֻנְה בָּסֵפֵל אַדִּירִים הִקְרֵיבָה חֵמְאָה: (כו) יָדָה לַיָּתֵד תִּשְׁלַּחְנָה וִימִינָה לָהַלְמִוּת עֲמֶלֵים וְהַלְמֵה סֵיסְרָא מַחַקָה ראשוֹ וּמָחַצָה וְחָלְפָה רַקַּתְוֹ: (כז) בֵּין רַגְלֵּיהַ כָּרֵע נָפַל שָׁכָב בֵּין רַגִּלֵיהָ כָּרַע נַפָּל בַּאַשֵׁר רָבע שָׁם נָפֵל שָׁדְוּד: (כח) בִּעַד ׁ בָּעַד הַחַלּוֹן נִשְׁקְפָה וַתִּיַבֵּב אֱם סִיסִרֵא בְּעֵד הָאֵשִׁנָב מַדּוּעַ בּשֵׁשׁ רְכִבּוֹ לָבוֹא מַדִּוּעַ אֱחֱרֹוּ פַּצָמֵי מַרְכְּבוֹתֶיו: (כט) חַכִּמְוֹת שָׂרוֹתֵיהָ תַּצַגֵינָה (ל) אַף־הָּיא תִּשִּׁיב אֲמְדֶיהָ לֶה: הַלֹא יִמְצָאוּ יִחַלְקוּ שַׁלַל רַחָם רַחַמָּתַּיִם לְרָאשׁ גַּבֵר שָׁלֵל צִבָּעִים

tents. (25) He asked for water, she offered milk; In a princely bowl she brought him curds. (26) Her [left] hand reached for the tent pin, Her right for the workmen's hammer. She struck Sisera, crushed his head, Smashed and pierced his temple. (27) At her feet he sank, lay outstretched, At her feet he sank, lay still; Where he sank, there he lay —destroyed. (28) Through the window peered Sisera's mother, Behind the lattice she whined: "Why is his chariot so long in coming? Why so late the clatter of his wheels?" (29) The wisest of her ladies give answer; She, too, replies to herself: (30) "They must be dividing the spoil they have found: A damsel or two for each man, Spoil of dyed cloths for Sisera, Spoil of embroidered cloths, A couple of embroidered cloths Round every neck as spoil." (31) So may all Your enemies perish, O LORD! But may His friends be as the sun rising in

לְסִיסְרָא שְׁלֵל צְבָעִים רִקְמֶה צֶבַע רִקְמְתִים לְצַוְּאֹרֵי שְׁלְל: (לא) בֵּן יאבְדָוּ כְל־אוֹיְבֶּידְּ יהוה וְאִּהֲבְּיו כְּצֵאת הַשֶּׁמֶשׁ בִּגְבָרָתְוֹ וַתִּשְׁלְּט הָאָרֶץ אַרְבָּעִים שְׁנָה: {פּ} might! And the land was tranquil forty years.