

April 22, 2018 Jael

For the Facilitator - During the week before the meeting, review the story and the questions. This is a heavy story. Know the story well enough to share. How is your walk with the Lord? Is there someone in your group who has been missing? Make personal contact with that person this week.

Open in Prayer and Welcome/Introductions

Remind the group of DiscipleGroup Guidelines (Confidentiality, Don't Rescue Don't Fix, No Crosstalk, Use Humor Responsibly, Give Everyone a Chance to Share, Use "I" Statements.)

DISCIPLEMAKER QUESTIONS

- Last week we looked at the story of Deborah and Barak. What has changed in your life because of what you learned last week? Are there any more thoughts on that story?
- How are your relational investments going?

Ask a "hook question" to get the group going.

- What's the craziest story someone has ever told you about their life?

Share background for the story.

This story continues the story from last week about Deborah and Barak and the Israelites' battle with Sisera.

Tell the story with your Bible open on your lap – Judges 4:17-24. This week's story is a continuation of last week's story about Deborah and Barak.

Group members rebuild the story one piece at a time.

Read Judges 4:17-24 out loud. Were there any important details left out of the telling or retelling of the story?

Discuss these questions:

1. What do you learn about God in this story?
2. What do you learn about the characters in the story?
3. What stood out to you in the story?
4. Read Judges 5:24-27 from the Song of Deborah and Barak. Why was Jael called "blessed of women?"

Ask someone to retell the story.

Assign next week's passage. Judges 6:11-40, Gideon Tests God.

Close in Prayer.