

Mothers Day
The God of the Unexpected
May 10, 2020

Key Thought: When you face overwhelming odds...Do not limit the _____ God!

Judges 2:10-11 After that generation died, another generation grew up who did not acknowledge the Lord or remember the mighty things he had done for Israel. The Israelites did evil in the Lord's sight and served the images of Baal.

Judges 4:4-5 Deborah, the **wife** of Lappidoth, was a **prophet** who was **judging** Israel at that time. She would sit under the Palm of Deborah, between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the Israelites would go to her for judgment.

While you wait for the unexpected from God...

1. Remain _____ in what you believe.

1 Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 16:13 Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love.

3 Keys to remaining steadfast:

- ✓ _____ it.

Psalm 105:19 Until the time came to fulfill his dreams, the Lord tested Joseph's character.

- ✓ _____ it.

- ✓ _____ it.

2 Timothy 4:10 For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me...

2. Let the _____ rise up within you.

Judges 5:2 Israel's leaders took charge, and the people gladly followed. Praise the LORD!

3. Start _____ yourself and others.

1 Samuel 30:6 (KJV) And David was greatly distressed; for the people spake of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: **but David encouraged himself** in the Lord his God.

Judges 4:8-14 Barak told her, "I will go, but only if you go with me." "Very well," she replied, "I will go with you. But you will receive no honor in this venture, for the Lord's victory over Sisera will be at the hands of a woman." So Deborah went with Barak to Kedesh. At Kedesh, Barak called together the tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali, and 10,000 warriors went up with him. Deborah also went with him...Then Deborah said to Barak, "**GET READY! This is the day the Lord will give you victory** over Sisera, for the Lord is marching ahead of you."

1 Thessalonians 5:11 Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

1 Corinthians 13:7 TLB If you love someone...you will always believe in him, and always expect the best of him...

Walk Away: God wants to use _____ people like you and me to bring an unexpected _____ in this world.