

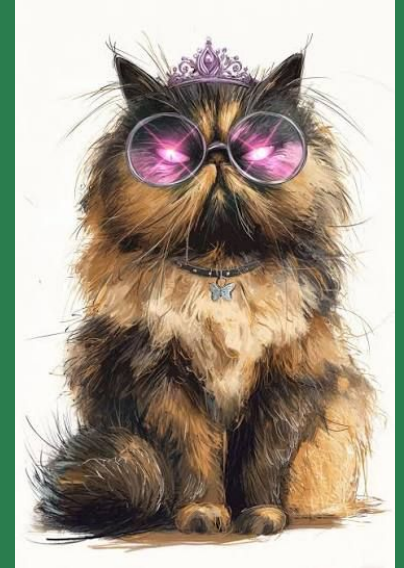
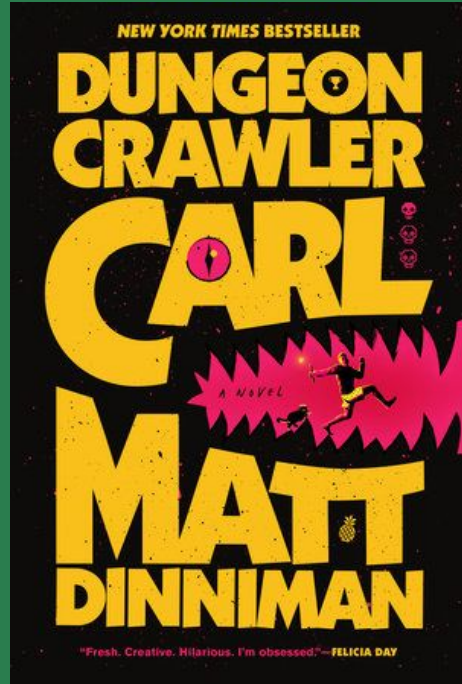
Deborah

Judges 4:1–5:31

& Jael

Eastside Church

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Characterization: Description by the Narrator

Carl

Coast Guard, Lives in Seattle, and
wears heart-print boxers

Princess Donut

Prize Winning Show Cat

Characterization: Actions

Carl

Chaotic plans, explosives, protective
of Donut

Princess Donut

Puts on shiny things, cares for Carl
(but doesn't want to say it out loud)

Characterization: Speech

Carl

"You will not break me."

Princess Donut

Loves Mongo (the dinosaur)

Characterization

Description by the Narrator

Names, titles, emotions, etc.

Actions

What does the character do?

Speech

What does the character say?

The Cycle of the Judges

1. The people sin
2. God gives them over to their enemies
3. The people cry out to God for deliverance
4. God sends a "judge" to liberate the people
5. The land has peace and the judge dies

Deborah: Description by the Narrator

"At that time Deborah, [a woman], a prophet, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment."
Judges 4:4–5 NRSV

Deborah: Description by the Narrator

1. A woman
2. A prophet
3. Wife of Lappidoth (or fiery woman)
4. Judge
5. Administrator/Interpreter of the Law
6. Mother of/in Israel

Deborah: Actions

Not a lot.

Deborah: Speech

Numerous speeches where she is clearly speaking for God and calling the people to action (Judg 4:6–7, 9, 14).

Deborah: Summary

A capable leader, a person of status,
and a prophet judge who uses their
speech as the means of
God's deliverance.

Jael: Description by the Narrator

Wife of Heber the Kenite (Judg 4:17)

Jael: Speech

Speaks twice to direct Sisera and Barak
into her tent (Judg 4:18 and 22).

Jael: Actions

1. Goes out to meet Sisera
2. Covers Sisera with a blanket/rug
3. Gives Sisera milk to drink
4. Takes a hammer and tent peg, walks quietly up to Sisera, and drives the tent peg through his head
5. Goes out to meet Barak

Jael: Summary

An average person, who acts and uses
everyday items as the means of
God's deliverance.

Application



There is no stock photo of the people God calls.

Application

God calls his people to be the
means of justice and to
liberate the oppressed.