The Book of Judges

ISRAEL IN THE TIME OF THE JUDGES 1380-1050 B.C.

JUDGES CHAPTER 5:1-31

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"THIS IS WHY WE SING" - PART 1

ISRAEL DURING THE PERIOD OF THE JUDGES AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATION

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Introduction to the Text;

Judges 5:1-31

THIS IS WHY WE SING

GOD'S PEOPLE WILL BE A WORSHIPPING PEOPLE -

it has always been true that whenever God's people come to gather, there are those who are not His. They may have a hunger for religious things, they may enjoy the morality and peace among God's children, but in life and in living – they don't belong to the Lord in reality.

But How Can You Tell Who These People Are?

1 Chronicles 16:29

Give to the LORD the glory *due* His name; Bring an offering, and come before Him. Oh, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness!

THIS IS WHY WE SING

1.) Because Our God is LORD

v.1-11

Judges 5:1-5

Then Deborah and Barak the son of Abinoam sang on that day, saying: :2 "When leaders lead in Israel, When the people willingly offer themselves, Bless the LORD! :3 "Hear, O kings! Give ear, O princes! I, *even* I, will sing to the LORD; I will sing praise to the LORD God of Israel. :4 "*LORD, when You* went out from Seir, When You marched from the field of Edom, The earth trembled and the heavens poured, The clouds also poured water; :5 The mountains gushed before the LORD, This Sinai, before the LORD God of Israel.

WE SING BECAUSE OUR GOD IS LORD

1a.) The LORD our God is Able

Deborah and Barak sang because of God's **Leading** in Their Lives.

In The Exodus, He was Able

Deuteronomy 26:8

So the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and with an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders.

At The Red Sea, He was Able In The Wilderness, He was Able At The Jordan River, He was Able

WE SING BECAUSE OUR GOD IS LORD

1b.) The LORD our God is Willing

Deborah and Barak sang because of God's **Nearness** in Their Lives. **Romans 8:31**

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

Matthew 8:2-3

And behold, a leper came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean." **:3** Then Jesus put out *His* hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." Immediately his leprosy was cleansed.

WE SING BECAUSE OUR GOD IS LORD

1c.) The LORD our God is Mighty

Deborah and Barak sang because of God's **Power** in Their Lives.

Acts 1:8

But you shall receive **power** (dynamite) when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

THIS IS WHY WE SING

2.) Because of the Victories in our lives

v.12-19

Judges 5:12 "Awake, awake, Deborah! Awake, awake, sing a song! Arise, Barak, and lead your captives away, O son of Abinoam!

2a.) We sing because we know who wins

2b.) We sing because we know our position

Judges 5:7 Village life ceased, it ceased in Israel, Until I, Deborah, arose, Arose a mother in Israel.

BECAUSE OF THE VICTORIES IN OUR LIVES

2c.) We sing because we know Him

Judges 5:9 My heart is with the rulers of Israel Who offered themselves willingly with the people. Bless the LORD!

our **willful**, our **deliberate**, our **intentional** worship is the only acceptable worship set on meeting with the Lord.

Worship is "Experiencing God"

the Christians greatest and most powerful moments of worship are found not in a public gathering, not when everything sounds perfect or when the mood lighting is right...

It's When and Wherever You willfully, and deliberately, and intentionally determine that I will worship the Lord.

That's Why and How

we worship the Lord in every situation, any place, at any time.

2 Samuel 12:16-23

David therefore pleaded with God for the child, and David fasted and went in and lay all night on the ground. :17 So the elders of his house arose and went to him, to raise him up from the ground. But he would not, nor did he eat food with them. :18 Then on the seventh day it came to pass that the child died. And the servants of David were afraid to tell him that the child was dead. For they said, "Indeed, while the child was alive, we spoke to him, and he would not heed our voice. How can we tell him that the child is dead? He may do some harm!" :19 When David saw that his servants were whispering, David perceived that the child was dead. Therefore David said to his servants, "Is the child dead?" And they said, "He is dead." :20 So David arose from the ground, washed and anointed himself, and changed his clothes; and he went into the house of the LORD and worshiped. Then he went to his own house; and when he requested, they set food before him, and he ate. :21 Then his servants said to him, "What *is* this that you have done? You fasted and wept for

the child *while he was* alive, but when the child died, you arose and ate food." **:22** And he said, "While the child was alive, I fasted and wept; for I said, 'Who can tell *whether* the LORD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?' **:23** But now he is dead; why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me."

Worshippers Don't Waste Time Worrying

Designate // Make a Plan // Do This Will Ya

Set Up An Altar of Worship in Your Life -

Genesis 8:20 Then Noah built an altar to the LORD,

Genesis 13:18 Then Abram built an altar unto the LORD.

> Genesis 35:7 And Jacob built there an altar,

Exodus 17:15 And Moses built an altar,

Joshua 8:30 Then Joshua built an altar unto the LORD God of Israel

1 Samuel 7:17 and there Samuel built **an altar** unto the LORD.

2 Samuel 24:25 And David built there **an altar** unto the LORD,

End of Study