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6 Qualities of Unlikely Leaders

Judges 4-5

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An Unlikely Leader Breaks The Traditional Mold

4:1-4

Brothers, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth.

But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things-- and the things that are not-- to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him.

1 Cor 1:26-29

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An Unlikely Leader Is First Faithful In Smaller Things

4:4-5

- **Prophetess**
- **Judge**

"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much..."

Luke 16:10

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An Unlikely Leader Listens To The Lord

4:6-7

- *Deborah heard from the Lord*
- *Deborah sent for Barak and told him of God's call*
- *Deborah gave Barak specific instructions*

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An Unlikely Leader Is Willing To Go The Extra Mile

4:8-9

Barak said to her, "If you go with me, I will go; but if you don't go with me, I won't go."

"Very well," Deborah said, "I will go with you."

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An Unlikely Leader Is A Person Of Faith

4:7; 9; 14

- *Deborah believed BEFORE the call of Barak*
- *Deborah believed when Barak hesitated*
- *Deborah believed at the moment of the battle*

Faith is the substance of things hoped for the evidence of things not yet seen.

Heb 11:1

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An Unlikely Leader Is Willing To Share The Credit With Others

Ch 5

- ***Deborah shares the credit with Barak*** ***5:1***
- ***Deborah shares the credit with Jael*** ***5:24-27***

“It’s amazing how much you can accomplish if you don’t care who gets the credit.”

Harry Truman

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Questions For Today

- *Are you breaking the mold?*
- *Are you being faithful in small things?*
- *Are you listening to the Lord?*
- *Are you willing to go the extra mile?*
- *Are you a person of faith?*
- *Are you willing to share credit with others?*

Are you willing to be an unlikely leader?

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