

Unknown HEROES of the Bible – Part 3 of 8  
“Jael” – A Women of Courage  
ABT – June 22, 2008  
Pastor Ed Holland

Judges 4 & 5

Cast of Characters

Jael- Wife of a Kenite tribesman named Heber.

*“Blessed above women shall Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite be, blessed shall she be above women in the tent.”* Judges 5:24 KJV

Sisera- Captain of the army of Jabin, the Canaanite king who attacked Israel.

Barak – He was judge of Israel and defended the Hebrew people.

Deborah – She was a spiritually wise prophetess and judge who convinced Barak to trust God.

Sisera's mother – She liked to get presents from her son when he came home from war.

Courage to Choose the Right Side

1. Jael showed courage when she aligned herself with God’s people.

*“Now Heber the Kenite, of the children of Hobab the father-in-law of Moses, had separated himself from the Kenites...”* Judges 4:11a

- Truth of God was present in the family history
- Jael, the wife of Heber based her actions on her faith

2. Jael showed courage when she placed herself at risk because of her belief.

*“Then Jael Heber’s wife, took a tent peg and took a hammer in her hand, and went softly to him and drove the peg into his temple, and it went down into the ground; for he was fast asleep and weary. So he died”* Judges 4:21

3. Jael’s courage resulted in great peace and blessing for others.

*“So on that day God subdued Jabin king of Canaan... And the hand of the children of Israel grew stronger and stronger...”* Judges 4:23a & 24a

*“...So the land had rest for forty years.”* Judges 5:31b