

# Growth Group Discussion Guide

## Week of November 4

### Deborah I--Strength in Weakness

**Our Scripture: Judges 4 & 5**

#### GETTING TO KNOW YOU

What are some “Judge” shows on TV? Why do you think they are popular?

#### DIGGING DEEPER

1. Compare Judges:7, 3:12, 4:1, 6:1, 10:5, 13:1. What do you see?
2. Greg said that the story of Judges follows a cyclical pattern that repeats over and over. Read Judges 2:16-20a. Identify at least three elements of this repetitive pattern seen in these verses?

#### MEDIA MIX - Introduction to Judges

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PxCGB14Ha8>

Why did God send Judges to Israel?

How many Judges can you name?

#### TAKING IT HOME

1. Deborah wore a lot of hats. She settled disputes, was a prophet of Yahweh, commander in chief and a warrior. List at least 3 “hats,” that you wear. How does being a woman impact their many roles?
2. Judges describes a recurring pattern of human experience.

*Sin—Suffering—Repentance—Restoration*

We continue to struggle in our culture with influences that lead us away from God to do what is evil in his sight. Brainstorm at least 2 examples. How are we doing in the struggle?

## **PRAYER REQUESTS and PRAYER TIME**

This All Saints week thank God for sending Judges to help us follow him. Who do you thank God for that helps you follow him?

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## **Housekeeping**

1. This is session 5 of our 6-week fall series ending with next week's 11/11 sermon (before Thanksgiving week). What "Serve Event" are you doing together? When?