Wisdom from Faithful Women



Explore the wisdom of Abigail, Deborah, and Esther as you learn from their faith, courage, and Godly insight.





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Introduction

Wisdom is a treasure highly valued throughout Scripture, often linked with understanding, prudence, and reverence for God. In this study, we focus on three remarkable women from the Bible who exemplified wisdom in challenging circumstances: *Abigail*, *Deborah*, and *Esther*. These women teach us how wisdom is not only intellectual knowledge but also spiritual insight, courage, and discernment empowered by faith.

Abigail taught us the power of peacemaking. When her husband Nabal acted foolishly, Abigail intervened with humility and wise speech to prevent bloodshed (1 Samuel 25). Her quick thinking and fear of the Lord spared lives and gained God's favor.

Deborah

Finally, Esther shows us wisdom in timing, courage, and self-sacrifice (Esther 4–7). With wisdom born of faith and identity, she bravely risked her life to save her people, teaching us to act wisely when facing difficult decisions.

As we journey through these three days, may we be inspired by each woman's story and draw on God's wisdom in our own lives. Let their examples empower you to seek wisdom from above — the kind that transforms, protects, and leads in faith.





















Your Verse

1 Samuel 25:32—33 "David replied to Abigail, 'Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, who has sent you today to meet me..."

Supporting Scriptures

- Proverbs 15:1 'A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.'
- James 3:17 'But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving...'







Devotional: Humility and Peace: Abigail's Wise Intervention

Abigail demonstrated wisdom through humility and peace-making. When her husband Nabal insulted David, a future king, Abigail quickly acted to prevent bloodshed. She brought gifts and spoke respectfully and tactfully to David, appealing to his sense of justice and reminding him of God's plan.

This story reminds us that wisdom is often expressed in how we respond to conflict — not by escalating but by fostering peace. Abigail's humility doesn't mean weakness; rather, she courageously took the initiative to intervene with grace.

Wisdom from the Lord often involves patience, respect, and discerning the right moment to act. Like Abigail, we can ask God to give us words that calm, solutions that heal, and hearts open to reconciliation. We learn that being wise means valuing peace over pride and trusting God's greater plan above immediate impulses.







Reflect and Apply

	How do I typically respond to conflict? Are my responses wise and peace-oriented like Abigail's?
2.	In what ways can humility help me act wisely in difficult situations?
3.	Do I trust God's timing and plan when faced with challenges or insults?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Recall a recent conflict: how might Abigail's approach have changed your response?
2.	Write about a time when humility led to peace in your relationships.
3.	List ways you can seek God's wisdom before reacting to difficult people or situations.







Prayer for Today

Lord, grant me a heart like Abigail's — humble, quick to seek peace, and wise in my words. Help me to respond to conflicts with grace and self-control, trusting You to guide my actions. Teach me patience and courage to step in wisely when others need reconciliation. May Your peace rule in my heart today and always. *Amen.* \bigwedge \bigotimes \bigotimes















Your Verse

Judges 4:4—9 "Now Deborah, a prophet, the wife of Lappidoth, was leading Israel at that time..."

Supporting Scriptures

- Proverbs 3:5-6 'Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding...'
- Joshua 1:9 'Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged...'







Devotional: Faith-led Leadership: Deborah's Godly Wisdom

Deborah stands out as a powerful example of wisdom expressed through discernment and godly leadership. God called her to judge Israel and lead the people during a time of oppression. She listened to God's voice, gave clear direction, and inspired courage by telling Barak, 'The Lord will deliver Sisera into your hands.'

Her wisdom was rooted in trusting God rather than in human strength or fear. Deborah's example teaches us to seek God's guidance in decisions and to be courageous in following His call, even when the task is daunting. Faith and wisdom often go hand in hand.

When we embrace God's wisdom, we gain strength to lead and make choices that align with His purposes. Deborah was not only a judge but a prophetess — showing how wise leadership includes listening deeply to God's voice and encouraging others courageously.







Reflect and Apply

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Journaling Prompts

	Write about a time God called you to be courageous; how did you respond?
2.	List ways you can cultivate deeper trust in God's direction.
3.	Reflect on how faith and wisdom can shape your leadership style.







Prayer for Today

Father, like Deborah, give me the courage to trust You fully and lead with wisdom. Help me listen attentively to Your voice and step boldly into the roles You've prepared. Strengthen me when fear threatens, and fill me with Your peace as I follow Your plan. Empower me to inspire others by Your grace. *In Jesus' name, Amen.*

















Your Verse

Esther 4:14 "And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?"

Supporting Scriptures

- Proverbs 2:6 'For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.'
- Psalm 31:24 'Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord.'







Devotional: Courage and Timing: Esther's Godly Wisdom

Esther's story teaches us about wisdom that combines boldness with trust in God's providence. Faced with the threat of destruction for her people, she risked her own life by approaching the king uninvited. But before acting, Esther fasted, prayed, and sought God's guidance.

Her wisdom was in discerning the right time to act and the courage to do so, knowing God was with her. Esther's faith-driven decision saved an entire nation and shines as an example of wise courage guided by prayer and dependence on God.

Like Esther, we may face moments that require stepping out in faith with courage and wisdom. It reminds us to prepare through prayer, seek God's guidance, and trust His purpose for our lives — because God positions us often for 'such a time as this.'







Reflect and Apply

1.	What challenges am I facing that require wise courage?
2.	How do I prepare spiritually before making big decisions?
	Do I believe God places me where I am for a purpose? How does that impact my choices?







Journaling Prompts

	Write about a situation where you needed courage and how you responded.
2.	Reflect on how prayer influences your wise decision-making.
3.	Explore how God might be calling you to act boldly for His kingdom.







Prayer for Today

Lord, grant me the wisdom and boldness of Esther. Help me to trust in Your perfect timing and to act courageously when called. Strengthen my faith to seek You first through prayer in all decisions. May I be confident that You have equipped me *for such a time as this*. Guide my steps and protect my heart. Amen.







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