

woman like Deborah because her knowledge of climatic conditions and her understanding of character, but why should we think God had anything to do with it, that's just the way things work. But the Lord taught that in addition to the organic prediction, Deborah should give an inorganic prediction, that is a prediction which contributed nothing to the victory itself, but which was just a little bit of a feel, a little bit of an indication to say God has done this, this is what God worked and not what man worked, and so she said the Lord shall sell Sisera into the hand of a woman. She didn't say (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ )

She didn't say the army would be taken by a woman. That is the way Barak understood, that she'd get the credit. But the actual words she used were, the Lord will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman, and in those ten thousand men there there was no woman present probably, except Deborah, and it was very unlikely that her hand would actually capture or kill the captain of the whole hosts of mighty chariots that were opposing. Very unlikely. Well, what happened? It happened exactly as predicted. They came to the plain. Sisera's character worked out the way you might have expected it would, of, of course, it might not. He brought all his forces that way, the rains came exactly at the right time, and we read in verse 14 that Deborah said to Barak, Up, for this is the day in which the Lord hath delivered Sisera into thine hand, is not the Lord gone out before thee? What does that mean? Why just look at the clouds. Look at the rain coming down there, look at the evidences that the Lord has gone before you and prepared the way and made it easy for you to capture and destroy Sisera's army. Is not the Lord gone out before thee? Well, somebody could say that's a matter of expression, meaning the weather's working out. Actually, it's Deborah's clever thinking (2 3/4)

that the Lord has done it.

But you and I could not prove whether the Lord has done it or whether it worked that way. This woman told me before she got to the hospital there was a bed ready, nobody ever would have expected it, it's the sort of thing happens once in a thousand times, but it did happen. Now the possibilities were much greater than one in a thousand of the rain coming, and of Sisera's (3 $\frac{1}{2}$ )

But the victory was won, somebody might have made a good guess how, but nobody would've