

Deborah's Victory

Israel had been oppressed by the violent rule of King Jabin of Hazor for 20 years. Deborah, a prophet, made plans with Barak to lure the army of Jabin to defeat . . .

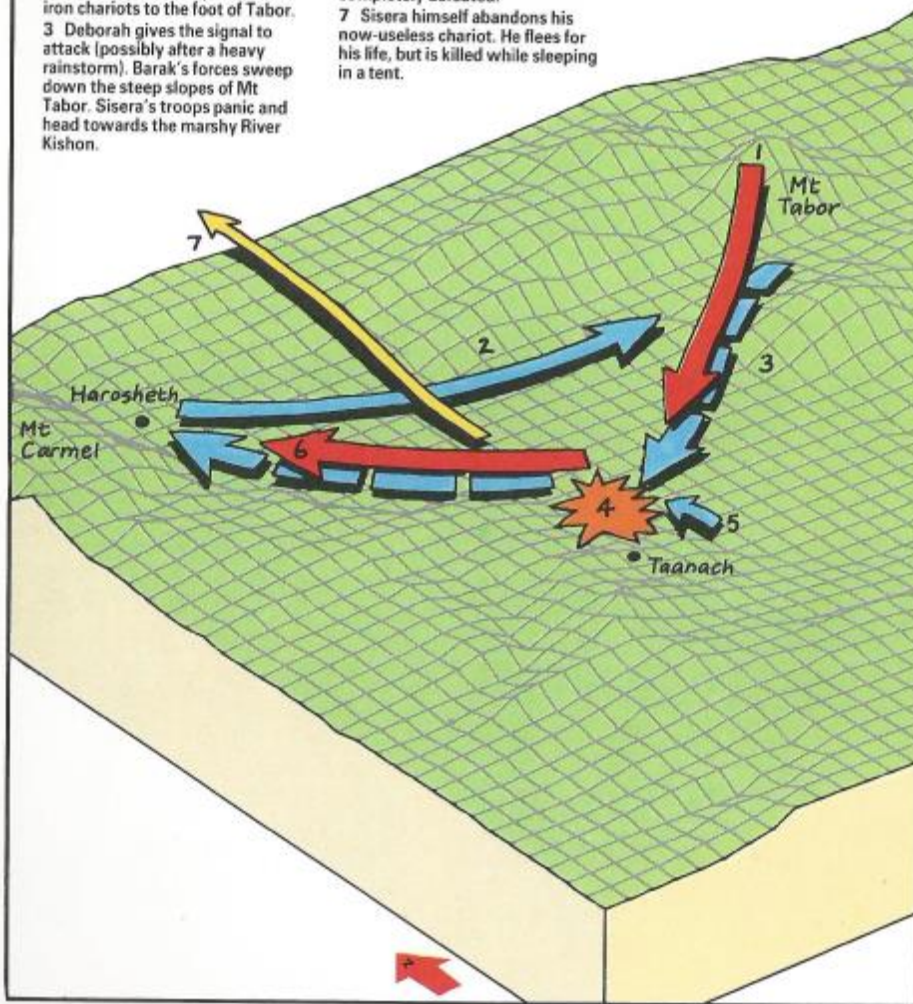
1 Deborah and Barak gather an army from some of the tribes to Mt Tabor, dominating the area.
2 Sisera, commander of Jabin's army, brings his troops and 900 iron chariots to the foot of Tabor.
3 Deborah gives the signal to attack (possibly after a heavy rainstorm). Barak's forces sweep down the steep slopes of Mt Tabor. Sisera's troops panic and head towards the marshy River Kishon.

4 The rainstorm floods the river. Sisera's chariots are useless or are swept away (Judges 5:21). His army is routed.

5 Local Canaanite kings try to aid Sisera's men by Taanach, but they too are defeated (Judges 5:19).

6 Barak pursues the retreating army as far as Harosheth. It is completely defeated.

7 Sisera himself abandons his now-useless chariot. He flees for his life, but is killed while sleeping in a tent.



Mount Tabor, Galilee

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