

The Book of Judges: Weak Men & Warrior Women 06.23.13

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 - c. God was glorified – 5:2
 - d. The people worship God openly – 5:3
- People start believing that God can create a _____ – 5:4-13
- People stop passing the _____ – 5:14-17
- People start taking _____ for God – 5:18
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Key: promise/only/10,000 men/army/willingly/new chapter/buck/risks

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