



JUDGES

GLORY IN CHAOS

The background image is a high-contrast, sepia-toned photograph of a mountainous landscape. In the foreground, dark, jagged rock formations are silhouetted against a lighter sky. The middle ground shows rolling hills and valleys, some with patches of snow or light-colored rock. In the far distance, more mountain peaks are visible, some with significant snow cover. The sky is filled with soft, diffused clouds. A large, semi-transparent rectangular area is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the title and subtitle text.

THE BEE, THE BOLT, & THE HAMMER

Judges 4



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Main Idea:

The LORD will shame the prideful no matter how strong and He will honor faith no matter how weak.

- Resolved, Reluctant, or both? V. 1-15
- Where will the Hammer Fall? V. 16-24

NAMES & FACES OF CHAPTER 4

- **Jabin** - King of Canaan
- **Sisera** – Commander of Canaan's army
- **Deborah** – Honey Bee, Prophetess
- **Barak** – Lightning Bolt, Reluctant Judge
- **Jael** – Surprising Deliverer
- **Yahweh** – Hero & Main Protagonist



"Israel's obedience was dependent upon the Judge. This is external pressure, not an internal transformation.

When the Judge dies, Israel does whatever it wants. There is something wrong with religion when its degree of fidelity depends solely on outside pressures, influences, and leadership."

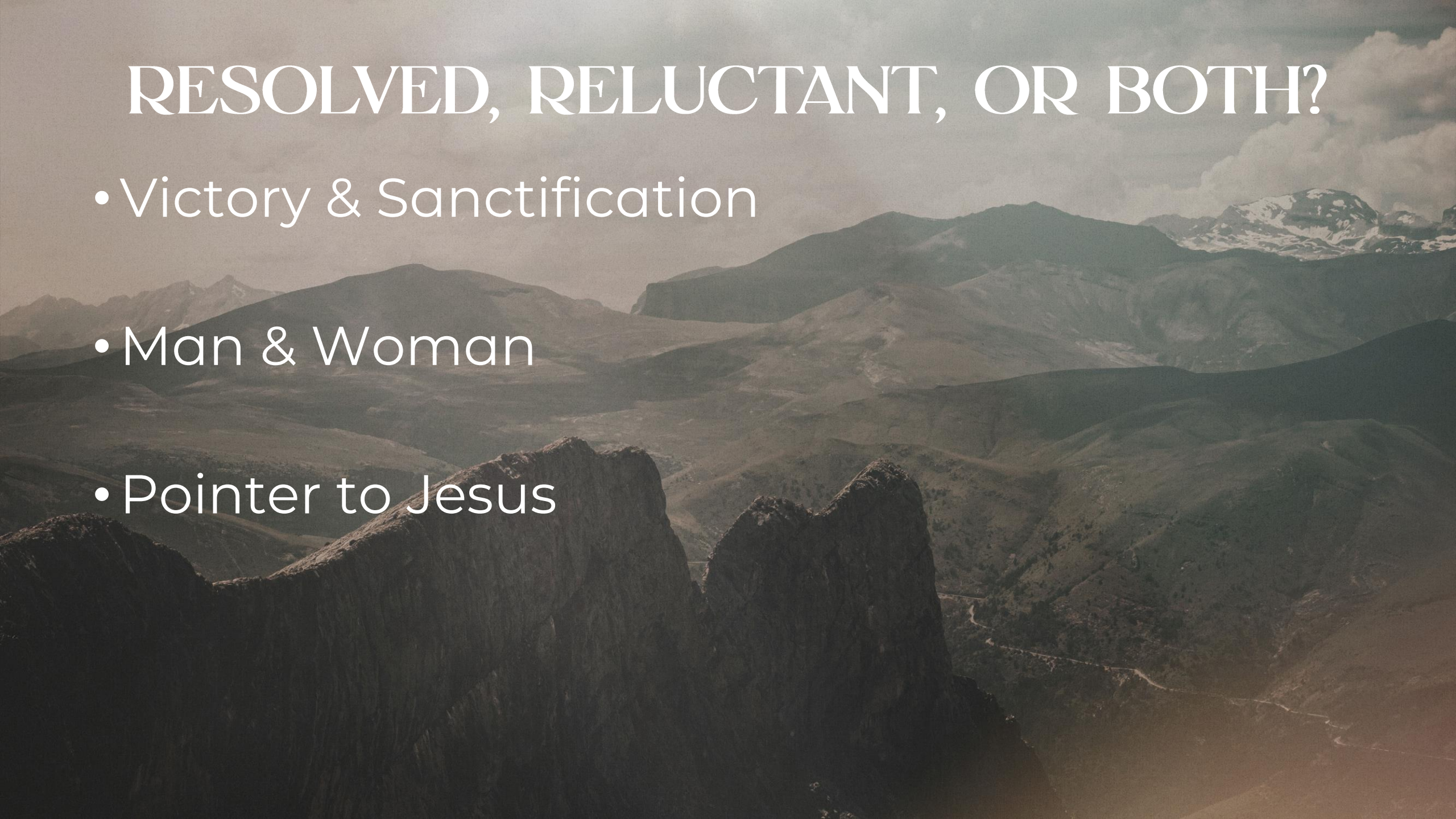
– Dale Ralph Davis

RESOLVED, RELUCTANT, OR BOTH?

- Deborah – Resolved
- Barak – Reluctant
- A word of encouragement & warning

RESOLVED, RELUCTANT, OR BOTH?

- Victory & Sanctification
- Man & Woman
- Pointer to Jesus



WHERE WILL THE HAMMER FALL? V. 17-24





WHERE WILL THE HAMMER FALL?

V. 17-24

- Honor & Shame
- WWJD
- Pointer to Jesus
- Warning & Hope