

# "War, Women, and the Draft"

**1Kings 20:23** Then the servants of the king of Syria said to him, "Their gods are gods of the hills. Therefore they were stronger than we; but if we fight against them in the plain, surely we will be stronger than they." **[28]** Then a man of God came and spoke to the king of Israel, and said, "Thus says the LORD: 'Because the Syrians have said, "The LORD is God of the hills, but He is not God of the valleys," therefore I will deliver all this great multitude into your hand, and you shall know that I am the LORD.'" (NKJV)

## I. WAR

**A. It must be truly and entirely defensive in nature.**

**B. There must be legitimate God-given jurisdiction.**

- **OBJ:** May one nation invade another in order to end the brutal, unjust slaughter of millions of innocent people? **Be careful how you answer!**

## II. WOMEN

**A. Military Service** (Serious Concerns)

1. The "new normal" of non-defensive warfare.
2. The nature of a Christian woman's calling.
3. The vulnerable environment & harsh treatment of female soldiers.
4. The questionable distinction between combat & non-combat roles.
5. The rise of mandatory Anti-Christian values within the military.
6. The unique threat of abuse & torture from radical Islamic soldiers.
7. The violation of the Biblical principle of male headship.

**B. Military Combat** (Clearly Unbiblical)

1. **ABRAHAM** Gen 14:14, 24.
2. **MOSES & JOSHUA** Num 1:1-4; 13:1-3; Dt 3:18f; 20:5-7, 13-14; 24:5.
3. **JUDGES** What about Deborah & Jael? (4:4-8, 17f, 23-24; 5:1, 7f, 24f)
4. **SAMUEL & DAVID** 1Sa 4:9; 8:10-18; 25:13, 22; 30:24; 2Sa 10:12; 24:1, 9; 1K 2:1-2
5. **PROPHETS** Isa 19:16; Jer 50:37; 51:30; Na 3:13
6. **NEHEMIAH** 4:14, 22-23
7. **NT** 1Co 11:2-3, 8-9, 11-12; 16:13; Eph 5:23, 25

## III. THE DRAFT *To be continued next month...*