



Develop a Deborah in your ministry area...

Are there women in your ministries who have leadership gifts?

Whenever the Lord raised up a judge for them, he was with the judge. Now Deborah, a prophet, the wife of Lappidoth, was leading Israel at that time. (Judges 2:18, 4:4)



Disciple...

Teach them to walk with God and in God's ways. (2 Timothy 1:5-12)

Demonstrate...

Entrust godly women to preach and to lead. (Romans 16:1-7)



Direct...

Help them to discover their gifts. (Ephesians 4:16)





Disciple... the women in your congregation.

- Establish and maintain a mentoring program
- Encourage and affirm giftedness
- Teach about women who have served God courageously



Demonstrate... that God gifts women for all facets of ministry.

- Teach a class or preach a sermon series on the calling and gifting of women
- Speak out against gender discrimination, paying attention to language
- Advocate for women by using a version of the Bible that has inclusive language



Direct... women into opportunities to lead.

- Regularly give opportunities for women to serve in pastoral roles such as preaching, teaching, leading, serving communion
- Make sure the leadership nominating committee operates with gender neutrality
- Consider both women and men in the search process for filling vocational ministry positions

Who is the Deborah in your ministry area?

In the last days, God says, “I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy.” (Acts 2:17-18)

