The Prophetess by Jill Eileen Smith Questions

Opening prayer

What are you overall impressions of the book?

Compared to the others we have read how would you rate this one?

What did you think of how Deborah was portrayed? Reluctant prophetess, wife, mother, judge?

Talya is constantly challenging authority. She manipulates her father and tries to play her parents against each other. How does Talya help her mother? How does she make Deborah's life better and/or worse?

Sisera destroys the Israelites' morale to make them weak. How do they overcome this?

Why do you think the author included Deborah's distance from Lappidoth? What makes her realize she loves him? How does Lappidoth deal with the knowledge?

What were your thoughts about the many times from several characters that they state, Adonai, Send us a deliver?

What about Shet and how he came to his decision with Yisyak?

In the conversation that Talya has with Shet, she says "I have never given thought to God's feelings." page 306 What do you think of God's feelings?

Deborah says her poem was to ensure "these tribes knew that, lest they be tempted to forsake their God again. They dare not fall into the same traps they had succumbed to before." Does this have any relevance today?

What did you take away from this book?

Discussion for next book, date and time. Example below.

Closing prayer