

Be Confidant – God Is in Control



MEMORY VERSE: “Trust not in human wisdom but in the power of God.”
1 Corinthians 2:5

DAY 1 ESTHER 7:1-7 — Esther Presents Her Request

1. King Xerxes and Haman arrive at Esther’s second banquet. What does Esther ask for? Why?
vv. 1-4
2. Read verse 3:13. Why do you think she repeated the same words?
3. What do you think Xerxes and Haman thought when they discovered that Esther was Jewish?
4. How did Xerxes and Haman respond? v. 7

DAY 2 ESTHER 7:8-10 — The King Executes Haman

5. A veil was placed over Haman’s face because Persian kings refused to look upon the face of a condemned person. Then what did Harbona tell the king? v. 9
6. What happened? v.10

7. What lessons can you learn from Haman's life and death?

DAY 3 ESTHER 8:1-14 — A Decree to Help the Jews

8. What else happened this same day? vv.1-2

9. Even though Haman was defeated, the irrevocable decree of the king still stood against the Jews. How did Esther act to save them? vv. 3-6

10. What did the new decree give the Jews? vv. 9-11

DAY 4 ESTHER 8:15-17 — The Jews Rejoiced

11. Why do you think God wrote the details of the honors Mordecai received?

12. How did the Jews react when they received the new decree? vv. 16-17

13. How do you think God wanted these events to impact the people of that day?

DAY 5 ESTHER 7-8 — Wrap Up

14. You can look at a crisis – or any event in your life – as coincidence, random, or you can see it as part of God’s plan and direction for your life. How would your thinking be different if you looked at things as part of God’s plan for your life?

15. How has studying Esther changed your thinking on God’s ability to work in impossible circumstances? In hopeless situations?

TAKE AWAY

God wants you to see His hand in your life – during both the good times and the hard times. Look closely this week for them – and praise God when you see them!

BLESSING

So like Esther, step out and do the impossible thing that God wants you to do. Obey Him and let Him bless you.

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Esther 7 is a lesson about divine providence on the righteous and divine justice on the wicked. It is about a blessing being given to the people of God and judgment on the people against God. Ultimately the righteous will win, and ultimately, the wicked will be destroyed.

It is not easy to see God’s hand at work in our lives, but if you want to see Him at work in your life, you have to begin looking for Him. Keep your eyes, and your heart and your mind open!

God honors those who honor him, and he blesses those who obey him. This is the truth we see developed in Esther 8.

When we obey and honor Him, not only will we be blessed and honored, but others will notice. They will see what God does in us, through us, and for us, and they will want to know Jesus too.

Notes
