If I PERISH
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The Coming Reign
of
ESTHER
The Bride of Christ

Message #5



Review

- Chapter 1, we saw that **Vashti** was **disposed**.
- Chapter 2, **Esther** becomes **queen**.
- We are looking at the book from a **spiritual standpoint.**
- **Ahasuerus**, the king is **King Jesus**.
- **Jesus is not our soon coming King, He is already King!**
- The throne of David is not unoccupied.
- King Jesus is sitting at the **right hand of the Father having been given all authority!**
    - Therefore **being by the right hand of God exalted**, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear. Acts 2:33
- The Holy Spirit is **proof positive that the greatest son of David sits on the throne**, not some future millennial kingdom, but he is sitting there **RIGHT NOW**!
- And those in the gospels like blind Bartimaeus and others who recognized him as the son of David always got a miracle because **they acknowledged Him to be Lord OVER their need**.

- **Vashti** is the **old order**. She's gone now. She had a party one door down.
- **Esther** or **Hadessa** is the **Church**, the **Bride of Christ**.
- **Mordecai** is the **main character** of the book. He represents the **Holy Spirit**. He was a **father ministry** and an **authority figure**.
- **Esther** and **Mordecai** were **overcomers**.
- **Hegai** was the **keeper of the women**. He speaks of the five-fold ministry where there were **tutors** and **governors** who **PREPARED Esther to go in under the king.**
- **Haman** is a picture of the **antichrist**. He was a descendant of **Esau** and **Amalek**. He was the **adversary**.
- Haman was exalted by the king to be **prime minister** and **everybody bowed down except Mordecai.**
- **Mordecai** was a **pillar** who **would not bend, who would stand against evil**.



- **Haman's** edict, his **purpose is** to **destroy** the Jews.
- The word, "**Jew**", means "**Judah**", **PRAISE** – the **Israel of God**.
- The enemy wants to **destroy the PRAISE of the Israel of God**.
- When they started in Chapter 3:7 to cast lots or **PUR** they started in the **first** month of **Nissan** which is our **April**.
- Exodus 12:2 calls that **a beginning of months**, the month of the **Passover** when we took our flight from the **bondage of Egypt** and **Pharoh**.
- The **last** month is **Adar** which also means "**glorious**", the end, the consummation of his purpose is a **GLORIOUS Church**.
- **Nissan to Adar is twelve months**.
- From 1 to 12 is a picture of God taking you from **conception to perfection, beginning to end**.
- From the **first to the last**, **God is in charge.** Praise God! Hallelujah!
- **Haman's edict was to destroy all the Jews.**



- And the **LETTERS were SENT BY POSTS** (runners, couriers) into all the king's provinces, **to DESTROY, to KILL** (smite with deadly intent, slay, murder), **and to cause to PERISH** (cease to be), **ALL JEWS, both YOUNG and OLD, little CHILDREN and WOMEN, in ONE DAY,** *even* **upon the THIRTEENTH *day* of the TWELFTH month (3/13), which *is* the month ADAR, and *to TAKE* the SPOIL of them for a PREY (**to seize or plunder booty, goods, or possessions). Esther 3:13

- They got the word out.
- Thus **whoever killed a Jew would have his PROPERTY for his trouble**!
  - Sound like anything going on today?
- This represents **the evil day** in Ephesians 6:13.
  - Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in **the evil day**, and having done all, to stand. Ephesians 6:13



- The **COPY** (transcript) of **the writing for a COMMANDMENT** (decree) to be given in EVERY PROVINCE was **PUBLISHED** (disclosed) unto **ALL PEOPLE**, that they should be **READY** (prepared) **AGAINST** (for) **that day** (ready to do their duty on the appointed day). Esther 3:14

- We also see here the **procedure of government** in the court of the Persian king.
  - The **POSTS went out**, being **HASTENED** (urged or driven on) by the king's COMMANDMENT, and **the DECREE was given in SHUSHAN** the palace. **And the KING and HAMAN sat down to drink; but the city SHUSHAN was PERPLEXED** (confused, in an uproar at the strange and alarming decree). Esther 3:15



- When **Mordecai** heard of this edict **he immediately went into intercession**.
- Mordecai's **mourning in sackcloth** made him richly unclean since it was a badge of **mourning** and for the **dead** among the Persians.
    - When **MORDECAI PERCEIVED** (knew, saw, discerned, learned) all that was done, Mordecai **RENT** (tear in pieces) **HIS CLOTHES** and put on **SACKCLOTH** (coarse, rough, not pretty, plain, simple, loose cloth, a mesh that liquids pour through easily) with **ASHES** (worthlessness), and went out into the **MIDST** of the **CITY** (the church, city-square) and **CRIED** (shrieked) with a **LOUD** (great) and **BITTER** (painful) **CRY** (of distress). Esther 4:1
- **Mordecai's sackcloth with ashes was the deepest GRIEF possible**.
- When **Mordecai** went into this intercession, **Esther didn't know what was going on. She didn't understand what was happening.**



- What are you wearing?
- **Have you ever worn sackcloth**?
- **Have you ever been in real intercession, mourning**?
- Are you **porous**?
- Can the Holy Ghost, the water of life, the reign of God, **can the tears of Jesus pour through you?**
- **Are you like Joseph of Arimathea begging for the body**?
- **Can you hear David on the battlefield**?
  - **And David longed**, and said, **Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem, that *is* at the gate**! 1 Chronicles 11:17
- Can you see **Jesus at the well with the woman who said, "I thirst"**.
  - The woman saith unto him, **Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not**, neither come hither to draw. John 4:15



- Can you hear **Jesus on the cross when he said, “I thirst”?**
  - After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, **saith, I thirst.**
  - Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a spunge with vinegar, and put *it* upon hyssop, and put *it* to his mouth.
  - When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, **It is finished**: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost. John 19:28-30
- **How porous are you?**
- Can God **pour** through you?
- **Can Jesus pray through you**?
- My listeners are some of the nicest, most anointed spiritual people I know, but **I’ll put us ALL in the same bucket and just say it…**
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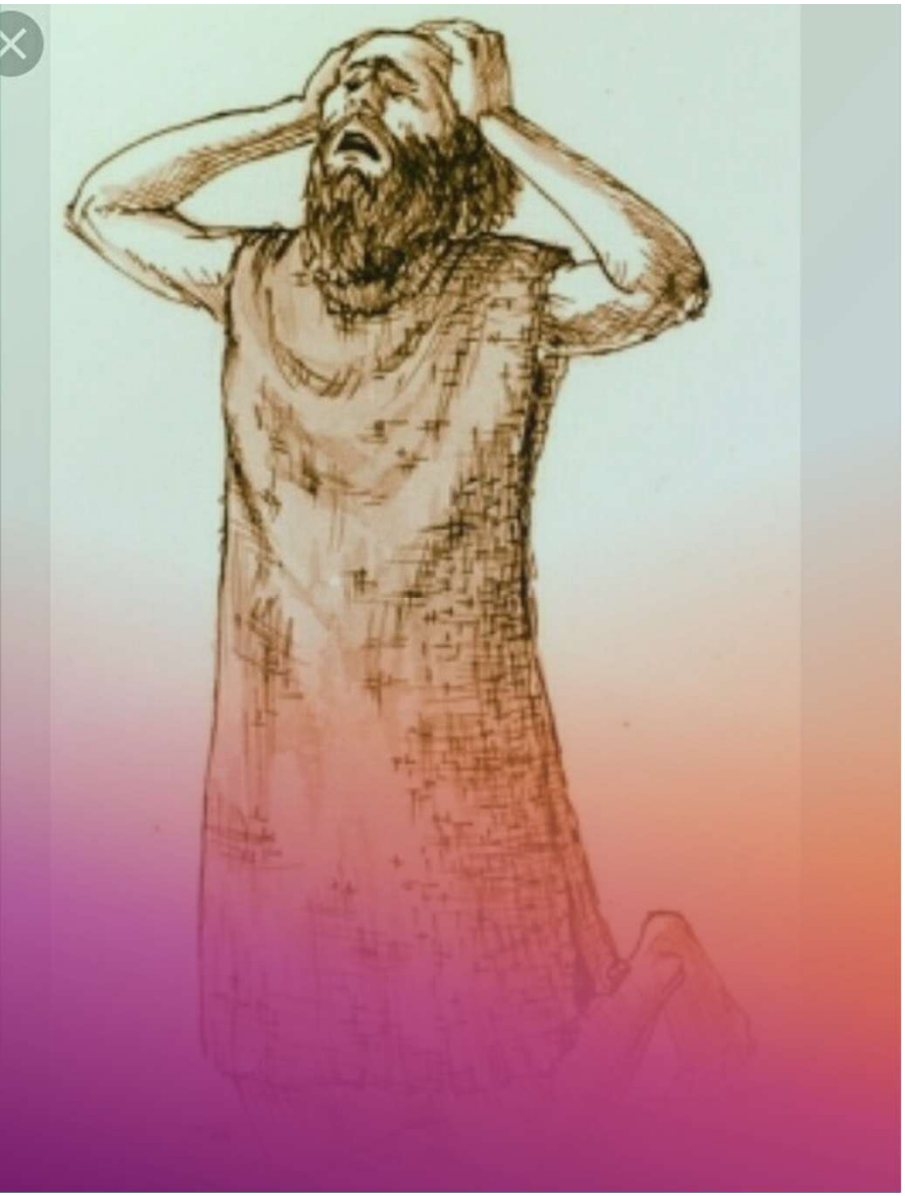
WE ARE NOT BURDENED!



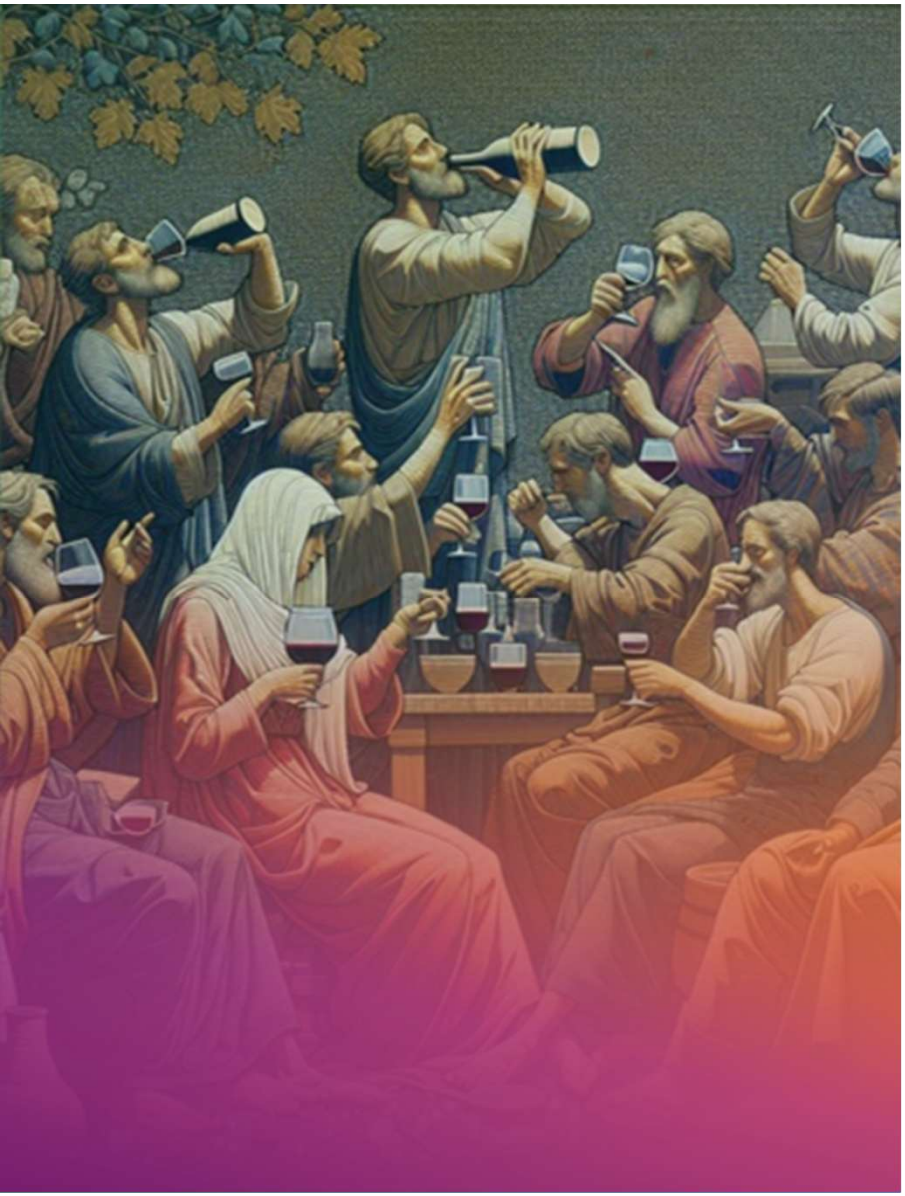


- **There's an edict out there to KILL US ALL, and we've sat by and DONE NOTHING.**
- **Mordecai is praying** and **Esther** sees this.
- Modecai is saying, "**We can't have this**."
- Sometimes we think our brothers and sisters are **too serious**, we tell them to **SMILE** - but **we do not know what they are carrying**!
- We are **afraid of each other**. We are **afraid of people**. We are **afraid of our culture**.
- **Does anybody even KNOW what the BURDEN of the Lord is anymore?**
- You may say, "**Why are you so serious**???"
- Oh well, let's just play church!
- Let's not rock the boat. I say let's blow up the boat!
- It's time we get the **FIRE back in our belly**.
- The **FIRE is coming**, the **pressure**, the **persecution** and **the time of the age is upon us!**
- **We need to be preaching and teaching like MANIACS!**



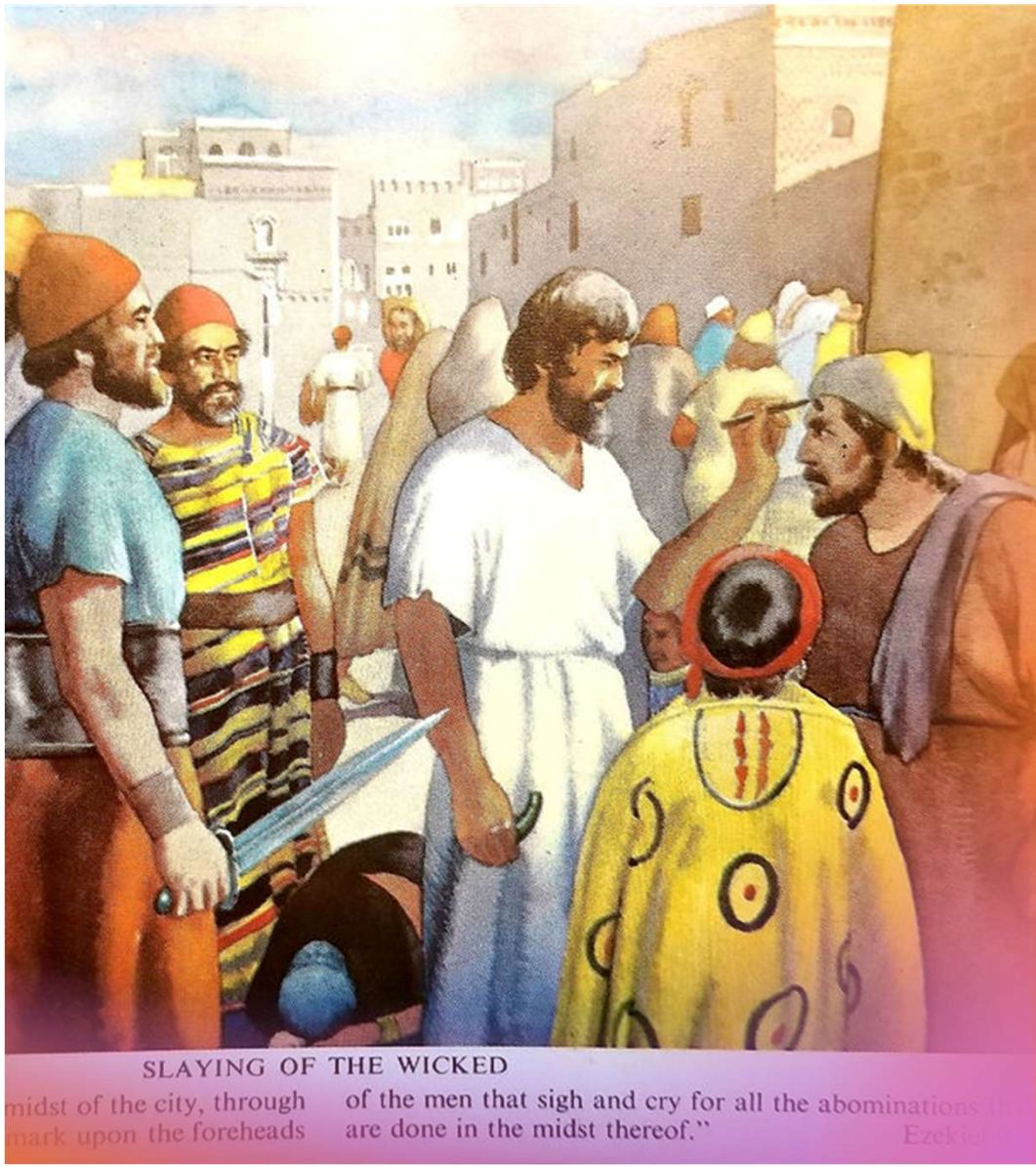


- Esther sent Mordecai a change of raiment.
- Has anyone tried to make you change?
- Hey – you need to look like the rest of us. You need to walk like us.
- "You didn't celebrate Christmas this year. **What is WRONG with you**?"
- "Don't look so sad!"
- So Esther sent Mordecai a change of raiment, and he refused it.
  - Then was the **queen exceedingly grieved**; and **she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take away his sackcloth from him**: **but he received *it* not**. Esther 4:4
- Change your lifestyle, change your message. **You're too SERIOUS**!
- You're too strict.
- Grow a backbone! Get mad as hell at HEY MAN (HAMAN).



- HEYMAN (Haman) was running his mouth, spreading fear.
- **You can't correct a FOOL.**
- **Mordecai wasn't going to argue with a fool; but neither was he going to neglect the covenant he and Esther had.**
- We have lost our courage.
- And yes we want to be merciful, but **we have to deal with the heavy things**.
- Esther tried to get Mordecai to change. **She was GRIEVED that he was GRIEVED**.
- She didn't know what was going on!
- **Are you grieved when the Holy Spirit is grieved?**
- The prophet Amos described the American church who are out to have a good time.
  - **Ye that put far away the evil day, and cause the seat of violence to come near**;
  - That **lie upon beds of ivory**, and **stretch themselves upon their couches**, and **eat the lambs** out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall;
  - That **chant to the sound of the viol**, *and* **invent to themselves instruments** of musick, like David;
  - That drink wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief ointments: **but they are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph.** Amos 6:3-6

- **Very few are in INTERCESSION**!
- God told the prophet Ezekiel, “I want you to **mark all of those that sigh and cry because of the abominations in the land**, and then I want you to **kill everybody else** and **START WITH THE PREACHERS**.”
- It’s a little rough, but it’s in your Bible.
  - And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and **set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof**.
  - And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity:
  - Slay utterly old *and* young, both maids, and little children, and women: **but come not near any man upon whom *is* the mark; and begin at my sanctuary.** Ezekiel 9:4-6



- **Mordecai** represents the **overcomer**, the **mature church**, that **LEADS** the way in **INTERCESSION**, standing **BETWEEN the living and the dead** (**inter-SEEDING**) as a **reconciler** and **peacemaker** because of **Haman's decree, the law of sin and death**.
- **Only those who sigh and cry for the abominations in the land will be sealed.**
- Some have done away with **real intercessory prayer**, but Jesus himself rules the church as its **HEAD** through **PRAYER**.
- **Our great high priest ever lives to make INTERCESSION for us.**
  - Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing **he ever liveth to make intercession for them**. Hebrews 7:25



- The key verse of Esther 4:1 pictures the **intercession of the Holy Spirit**.
  - When **Mordecai** perceived all that was done, **Mordecai rent his clothes, and put on sackcloth with ashes,** and went out into the midst of the city, and cried with a loud and a bitter cry.
- Haman continued to go in and out.
  - And came even before the king's gate: for **none *might* enter into the king's gate clothed with sackcloth.**
  - And in every province, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, ***there was*** **great MOURNING (wailing, lamentation) among the Jews, and FASTING, and WEEPING, and WAILING; and many lay in SACKCLOTH and ASHES**. Esther 4:2-3
- Satan is out to kill the true **JEWS, JUDAH, PRAISE!**



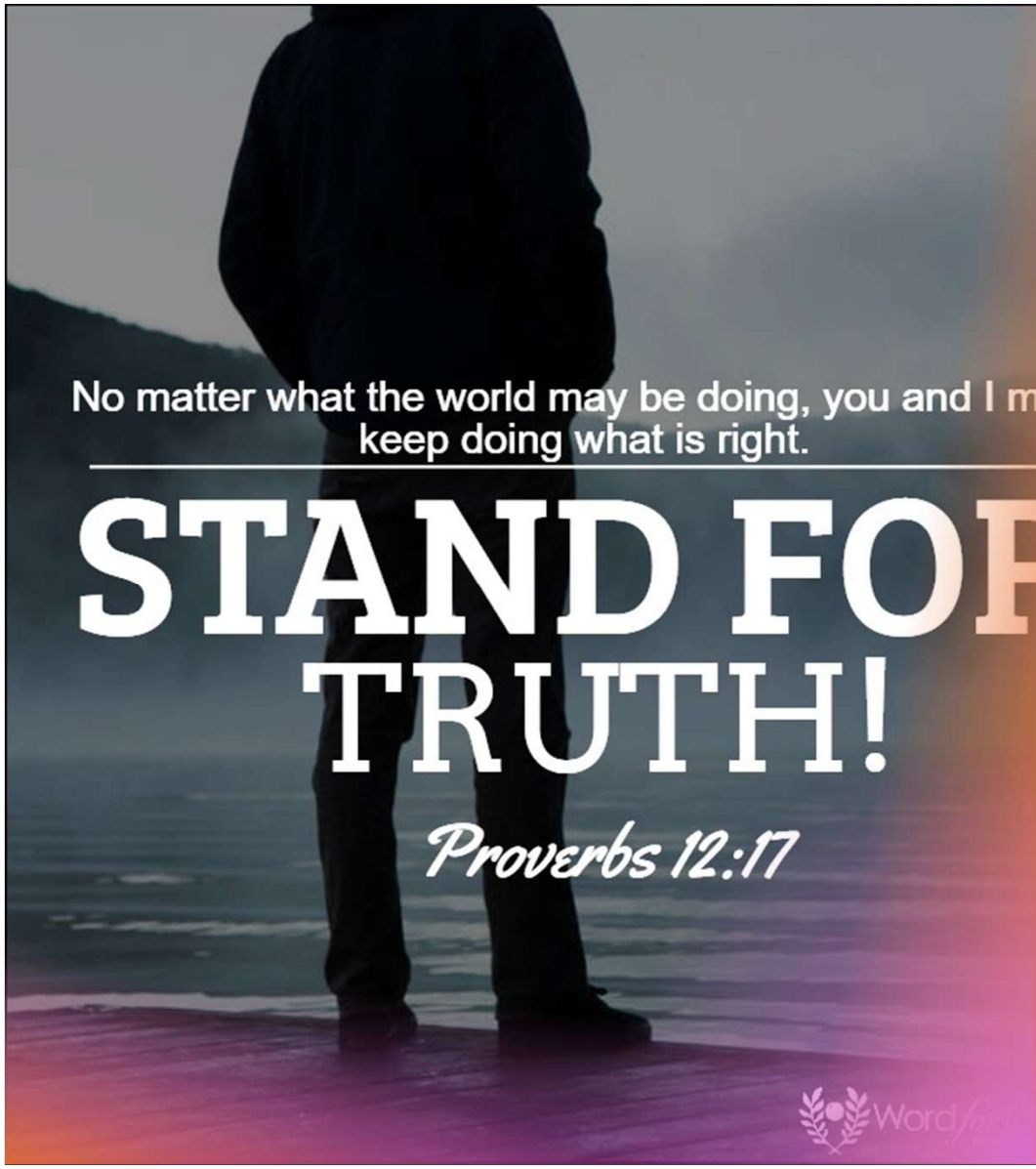
- In verse 4 Esther met with her maids
  - So Esther's (seven) MAIDS and **her CHAMBERLAINS** (eunuchs) **came and TOLD *it* her** (made it known – by this time they all KNEW that she was a Jew). **Then was the queen EXCEEDINGLY GREIVED** (much pained, to writhe in travail, great anguish); and **she SENT RAIMENT** (praise) to **CLOTHE MORDECAI**, and to **TAKE AWAY** (remove) his **SACKCLOTH** from him: **but he RECEIVED (accept, consent) IT NOT**.
- The issuing of this DECREE by Haman was withheld from ESTHER, **leaving her unaware of the details of the situation.**
- The **BRIDE** realm (Esther) is **NAÏVE** (like EVE in 2 Corinthians 11:2) of what the **SON** realm (Mordecai) is perceiving.
- **She desired to know the whole TRUTH so she called for one of the KING'S chamberlains.**
- There's an incredible statement in Chapter 4:5.
  - Then called Esther for **Hatach**, *one* of the **king's chamberlains**, whom he had appointed to attend upon her, and **gave him a commandment to Mordecai, to know (ascertain by seeing) what it *was*, and why it *was*.**



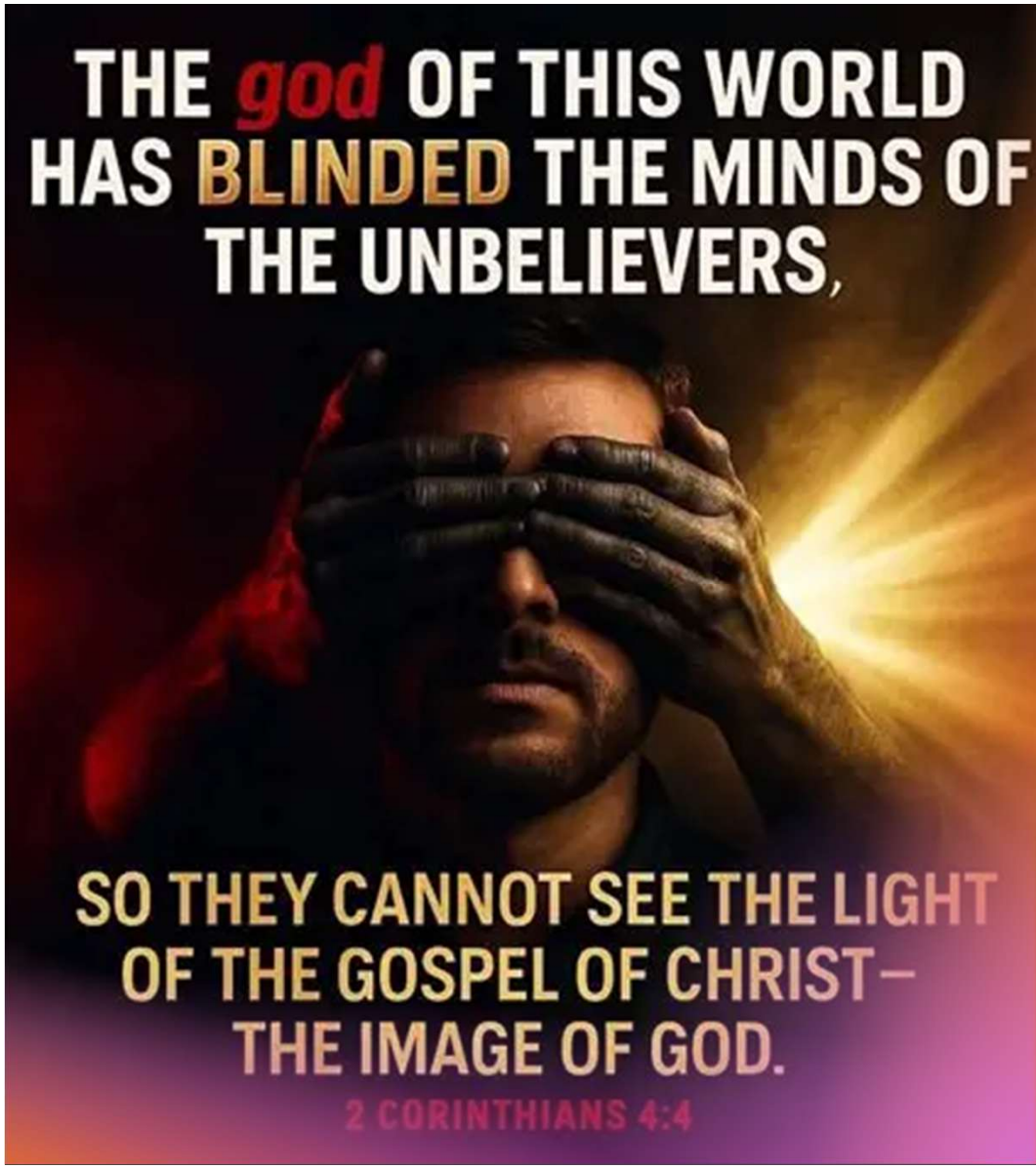
- Esther is **CURIOUS**, so she sends **HATACH**, **a picture of VERITY and TRUTH concerning the WHAT (the KNOWLEDGE) and the WHY (the WISDOM) of Mordecai's deep intercession.**
  - So **Hatach** went forth to **Mordecai** unto the street of the city, which *was* before the king's gate.
  - And **Mordecai** told him of all that had happened unto him, and **of the sum of the money that Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasuries for the Jews, to destroy them.**
  - Also **he gave him the copy of the writing of the decree** that was given at Shushan **to destroy them, to shew *it* unto Esther, and to declare *it* unto her, and to charge her that she should go in unto the king, to make supplication unto him, and to make request before him for her people.**
  - **And Hatach came and told Esther the words of Mordecai.** Esther 4:6-9
- **Hatach** was the **liaison** back and forth between **Mordecai** and **Esther**.
- **TRUTH** would be the liaison between **Esther** and **Mordecai**.
- **We need somebody who sees and ascertains TRUTH to relay the message to the church of what is going on.**
- **Somebody has to be able to bridge this impasse and go in and hear what Mordecai (the Holy Spirit) is saying…what it is and why it is.**



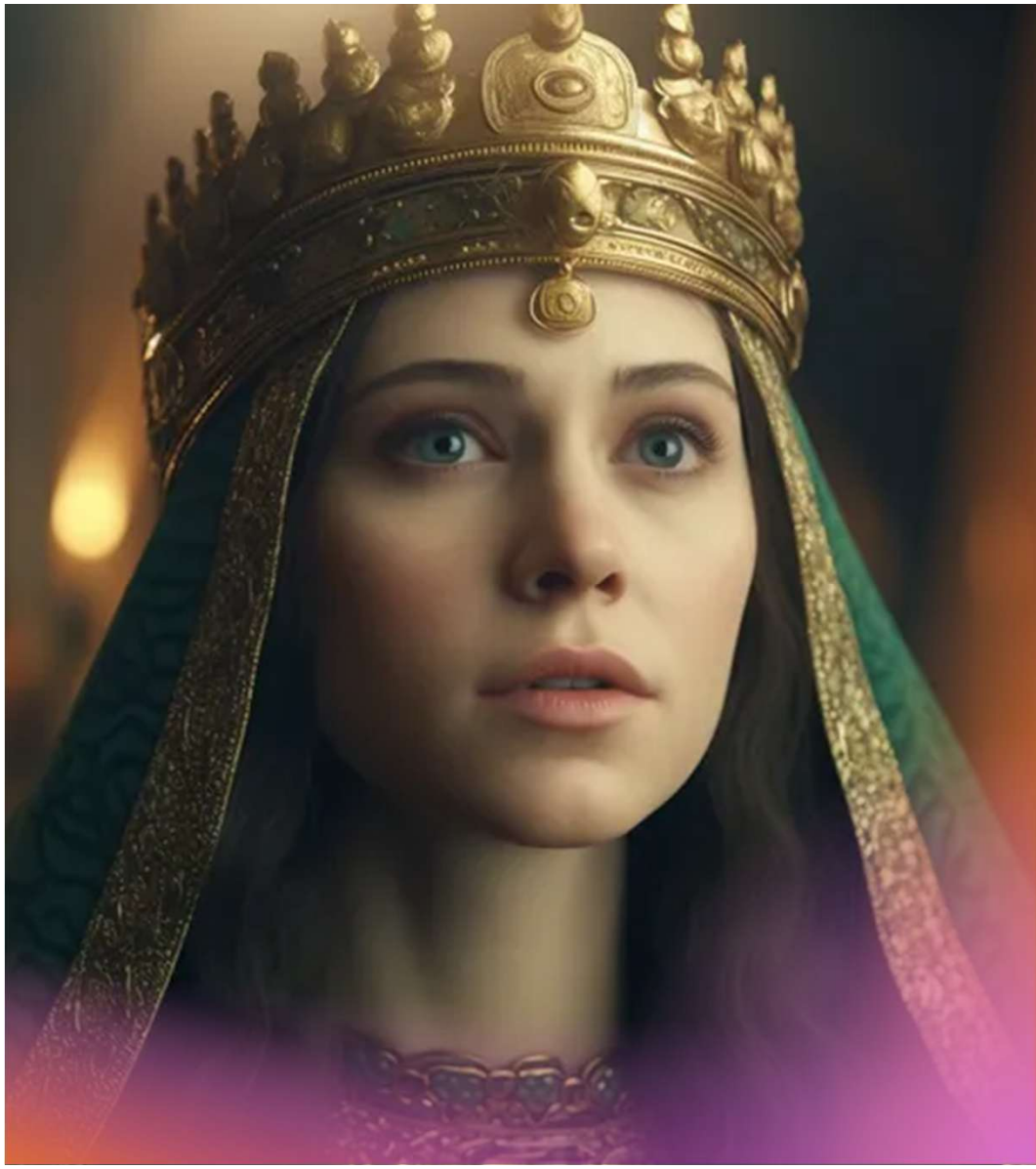
- This pictures bridgebuilding between what the Holy Spirit is saying and communicating it to the bride realm.
- Hatach is called **TRUTH**.
- **TRUTH** must be **COMMUNICATED**.
- **We need sons to stand up for TRUTH and communicate it to the bride, to bridge the gap.**
    - Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, **consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus.** Hebrews 3:1
- The **BRIDE** finds it difficult to see the concepts of **DISCIPLINE** and **SUFFERING SONS** and that real **FATHERS** refuse to **CHANGE THEIR CLOTHES** (their message and lifestyle of passionate **INTERCESSION** and will **CRY and WEEP until the WOMAN (the church) will cry and weep!**
- **We need to get a burden for those who do not know the TRUTH.**
- **True fathers will give GOD and His PEOPLE no rest until Haman's LAW is reversed!**



- **Think about your loved ones, and those who are blinded by the gods of this world that cannot see or do not know truth.**
- **Do you have a burden**?
- If you see me without a smile, it may because I don't want to smile. **There are days that I am so burdened, that I can't smile.**
- Please **be merciful if you see me in sackcloth**, because my heart is broken and my mind is troubled over **this insane edict that is out to kill all of us**!
- **And if we don't soon come to a corporate dedication level, where we lay it all down, we are all going to just die and not fulfill our calling.**
- We must be **gripped** by what is happening – **the edict to KILL the Church – the edict to KILL the true Jew.**
- This is **just a message** to many, but I tell you **it must be a conviction**!
- **It must MOVE us!**



- **Esther** had the **crown** on her head **but did not really know who she was.**
- That is us! Lord, God Almighty!
- **We have the crown on our head! We have the crown, but we don't know who we are!**
- **Esther was in the midst of the throne room, but yet she did not know what was happening!**
- She and WE must learn to say, "I was **chosen**! I am seated in **heavenly places** with Him! I am **positioned** with Christ as a **joint heir**! I am **INTIMATE** with the **KING**! I want to **PLEASE** Him and **He** wants to **please** me! **We are ONE**!"



- **Mordecai** told **Hatach** everything and **sent a copy of the decree with him to give to Esther**.
    - And Mordecai told him of all that had happened unto him, and of the sum of the money that Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasuries for the Jews, to destroy them.
    - Also he gave him the copy of the writing of the decree…Esther 4:7-8
- **This is a pattern of what we are to do.**
- **We are to inform others about what is going on with the edict that is out to kill the true Jews.**
- **Mordecai** is an example of the ministry of the **OVERCOMER**; the apostle who encourages and **empowers Esther, the church**.
- The **FATHER** ministry **OPENS** the **BOOK**, shows the **WRITING**, the **WORD** to the **WOMAN**.
- Esther had been in training for this KAIROS MOMENT all her life.
- She is now ready.
- She can do it.



- **Esther** had been **perfected through the things she suffered.**
- She had been **obedient**.
- She had been willing to **receive instruction** and training in the most difficult of circumstances; she had gone through the house of **ENDURANCE**.
- **Esther received** the Word and **acted** upon it.
- Likewise, **the Lord has strategically placed you here FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS**!
- Esther was created for **INFLUENCE**.
- Hamon's law is the **law of sin and death**.
- The law (**Noahide, Sharia, Christian Nationalism**, etc.) is **out to kill all of the true Jews.**
- **Esther, do you know who you are?**
- Look in the **Mirror of His WORD** – **there is a CROWN upon your head!**



- ESTHER was informed concerning the EDICT and **volunteered** to go BEFORE THE KING.
- **No one could come into the INNER COURT (the Most Holy Place) uninvited without risking death.**
- Esther **had not been called**, and **there was no way of knowing when she would be invited.**
- **Esther herself would not escape Haman's plot!**
- Haman is a picture of the **carnal mind**.
- Haman is a man of utmost **vanity**, blinded **prejudices**, capable of the deadliest **enmity**, **self-serving**, swaggering **bully**.
- This evil man's mind was covered over to the top so as to shut out all lofty aspirations, closed in at the side so as to shut out all kindness, and open only at the bottom for the incoming of **dishonorable passions and haughtiness.**



- Esther says, "**I've not been called**."
  - Again **Esther** spake unto **Hatach**, and **gave him commandment** unto **Mordecai**;
  - All the king's SERVANTS, and the PEOPLE of the king's provinces, do KNOW, that **whosoever**, whether MAN or WOMAN (no GENDER prejudice), shall COME UNTO (near) **THE KING into the INNER COURT, who is NOT CALLED** (to call out and address by name, to summon), ***there is* ONE LAW of his to PUT HIM TO DEATH**, except such to whom the king **shall hold out the golden sceptre**, that he may live: but **I have not been called to come in unto the king** these thirty days. Esther 4:10-11
- The GOLDEN SCEPTURE denotes the **DIVINE NATURE**, connected to the **THRONE**, the **FULL AUTHORITY** of the **KING** – the **POWER** of the **NAME of JESUS – ALL of GOD's AUTHORITY**.
  - And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Matthew 28:18
  - **And they TOLD (announced) to MORDECAI Esther's words**. Esther 4:12



- Mordecai answered Esther, “Honey, **there’s no escape** from this thing.” (there’s **no rapture**! – **no false hope**)
  - Then **MORDECAI** commanded to **ANSWER** (return to) **ESTHER**, **Think not with THYSELF that thou shalt ESCAPE in the king's house, more than all the JEWS.**
  - For if thou **ALTOGETHER HOLDEST THY PEACE** (be silent, keep quiet) at this time, *then* shall there ENLARGEMENT (fresh breath in a large space, **relief**) and **DELIVERANCE** (rescue, snatch away) arise to the JEWS from ANOTHER PLACE (It means deliverance shall arise to the Jews from another place or another quarter. Mordecai was **CONFIDENT** in God and His **WORD** of **preservation**); but THOU and thy FATHER’s HOUSE shall be DESTROYED: and **WHO KNOWETH whether thou art COME to the KINGDOM FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS**? Esther 4:13-14



- **Mordecai** was saying, “Honey, **if you don’t go in to the King, somebody will. Somebody is going in**. You’ve arrived at the kingdom, the **royal power**, **rule and dominion** for **such a time**, such an **event**, such an **occasion**, such an **occurrence** as this, **as an instrument of preservation and deliverance.**
- Just like the children of Issachar **who knew the times**, the time to favor Zion has come.
  - And of the children of Issachar, ***which were men*** **that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do**… 1 Chronicles 12:32
- Now, **knowing the time, each one has his own rank,** his own order.
  - **But every man in his own order**: **Christ** the **firstfruits**; afterward **they** that are **Christ's at his coming**. 1 Corinthians 15:23
- Perhaps **you have come to the royal position for such a time as this**.
- **God has brought you into the palace for this time**.
- **You have come to the throne for such a time**, attained under the royal state. **You were made queen for this time.**
- **Mordecai** was telling **Esther**, the **church**, **once you go to the King, there is no escape.**
- Turn on your “Christian” TV right now and almost all are teaching escape.

Men who had **understanding** of the **times**.



- Psalms 45:14 is a beautiful scripture.
  - **She shall be BROUGHT (bring with pomp, to flow under the king) unto the king in raiment of NEEDLEWORK** (the work on you **INSIDE** and **OUT** all your life, like the **GOLD** – divine nature - of the Ark of the Covenant).
- **The Lord has been working with you.**
- We've been **brought to the King in garments of needlework.**
- **The needle is the sharp instrument**.
- **It is the Word of God who needles you.**
- **Word in, word out. Word in, word out.**
- We need people in our lives who know **how**, **when**, and **where to stick us**, especially those who **pierce** and **open our ears**.
- It's the **inner working** and the **outer workings.**
  - **Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.** Philippians 2:12





- **We are being embroidered**.
- We are becoming a **TAPESTRY OF GLORY!**
- Our **sufferings are embroidered on our garments of glory to display the beauty of God.**
- **When I say JESUS!, I melt. I love Him so much.**
- Do you know why?
- Because **I have been pierced**.
- **The needle has gone in and out, in and out, in and out.**
- **All my life** I have been **needled** and **pierced**.
- Some of you are running from the needle. **DON'T DO IT**!
- He wants to **sew you up and make you WHOLE. Thank you, Lord**!

- **Esther**, conscious of her need of moral support, **asked that the people might fast with her**.
- At first Mordecai gave Esther orders, now she is saying, "**You tell Mordecai this**…"
- **Esther called for a corporate fast for a corporate anointing, a sacrifice, a stand of faith**.
- **Esther is now telling Mordecai what to do.**
- Some men couldn't handle that.
- Both the man and the woman are priests in the home.
  - Then **Esther bade *them* return Mordecai *this answer*,**
  - GO, GATHER TOGETHER (collect) **all the JEWS** (this was a CORPORATE purpose and operation) that are PRESENT in SHUSHAN, and FAST ye for ME, and neither eat nor drink THREE DAYS, night or day (**a picture of His FINISHED WORK in His death, burial, and resurrection**): I also and my (**seven – complete**) maidens will FAST likewise; and so will I GO IN UNTO (towards) THE KING, which *is* NOT ACCORDING TO THE LAW (royal edict, statute, regulation – TRADITION): and **IF I PERISH, I PERISH.** Esther 4:15-16



- There is a spirit of **sacrifice** and **abandonment** in her words, "**If I perish, I perish**".
- If **death** is to be my **fate**, **then let it come**.
- **Though I must die for it.**

- **Somebody** like Esther **has to make the commitment to lay it all down**.
- **Somebody** has to **totally identify with the Spirit of the One** who already indwells us; the **one who paid the price and laid it all down.**
- Isaiah says that **Jesus made his soul and offering for sin**.
  - Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put *him* to grief: **when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin**,… Isaiah 53:10
- **The servant isn't above his lord.**
  - Verily, verily, I say unto you, **The servant is not greater than his lord**; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. John 13:16
- **Have you made your soul an offering**?



- **Have you offered up to Him what you think and what you feel?**
- "Well, God doesn't care about my feelings."
- A **dead man has no feelings**. A dead man has **no opinions, no choices**.
  - Likewise reckon **ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin**, but **alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord**. Romans 6:11

- The saddest thing that is happening right now is that **many who we thought were steadfast in Christ are fainting and dying**.
- The **fire** in their **belly has gone out**.
- Oh, there will always be some **Calebs** and some **Joshuas** who live to be very old, who will **equip** and **empower another generation** to **possess the land**, **but so many have just quit**.
- Many are **content** to preach the **same thing** to the **same people**, the **same way** with the **same result**.
- **There is no fruit**.
- They are **living in the past**, **longing for the good ole days**.
- **I believe this must be the generation that will arise and walk in what Christ died for.**



- I'm so tired of **wimpy preachers** and **pastors** who are **afraid** of their **people** and **wimpy parents** who are **afraid** of their **children**.
- **Do you want a covenant relationship with Christ**?
- If so, **you do not have choices.**
  - **But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy,** and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, **to testify the gospel of the grace of God**. Acts 20:24
- **Do you want to finish your course with joy**?
- Then **you must count your soul as an offering**.
  - Hereby perceive we the love *of God*, because he laid down his life for us: and **we ought to lay down *our* lives for the brethren.** 1 John 3:16
  - And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and **they loved not their lives unto the death**. Revelation 12:11
- **If I PERISH, I PERISH.**



- The word **perish** means “to wander away, **to lose oneself**, **vanish**, **put to death,** fail, **to be undone**, **no way to flee.”**
- Everybody is trying “**find themselves**”.
- **“I need to go away and find myself**”.
- There is **no way out**.
- Is this the **Esther generation**?
- Is this the generation that will **listen to Mordecai (Holy Spirit)?**
- Is this the generation that wants to **locate the one God put to death.**
- When will God find a generation that is going to **listen**, **sit down, shut up**, and **listen** to **wisdom**, **knowledge** and **instruction** until they have been **set on fire with the purpose** they are called to?
- **Have you forgiven everybody for everything?**
- **Are you still comparing yourself to people**? That’s not wise.
  - For **we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves:** but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, **are not wise**. 2 Corinthians 10:12



- Don’t compare yourself to me.
- **We are all different with different graces and different callings**, and when we stand before our judge, it won’t be about let me show you a movie of your life.
- It will be about, “**What did you do with what I gave you**?”
- Some have **five talents**, some have **two**, some only **one**.
- **But EVERYBODY can be a hundred folder.**
- Five gets FIVE; two gets TWO, one gets ONE.
- It’s not about **talent**.
- It’s not about **gifts**.
- It’s not about **graces**.
- Some can **sing**, some can **teach**, some can **memorize scripture**, etc. **That is not what is important.**



- But **SOMEBODY** has to **get up** and **teach** this and **LIVE this**.
- The old prophet stood up one morning and said, “God, we are not going to give you any rest until Jerusalem is a **praise** in the earth.”
  - And **give him no rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth.** Isaiah 62:7
- Does anybody want to **bug God**?
- **Mordecai** needs **help**; he needs **mercy**; he needs **strength**.
- We are **both** the **sons of God** and the **bride of Christ**.
- And **if we perish, we perish**!
- We must learn that **some people will never move; will never go in.**



- All you can do is get your **sackcloth** and **with the sackcloth you cannot go in and out of the king's gate, because it is not allowed in the palace.**
  - Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God. 1 Corinthians 15:50
- We cannot enter in wearing sackcloth.
- **This flesh has to be changed**.
  - So Mordecai went his way, and **did according to all that Esther had commanded him.** Esther 4:17
- I want you to see **we need PRAISE to enter in**!
- Satan is out to kill the **JUDAH, PRAISE!**
- There is a time to wear these **garments of heaviness** and there is a time to wear the **garments of praise**!
  - A time to **weep**, and a time to **laugh**; a time to **mourn**, and a time to **dance**. Ecclesiastes 3:4
  - To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, **the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness;** that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified. Isaiah 61:3





- **Esther** proves that at times **women are stronger than men**.
- **Sometimes somebody** is going to command you to do something.
  - So Mordecai went his way, and **did according to all that Esther had commanded him.** Esther 4:17
- **Are you teachable**?
- If a **young person** comes up and has a word for you, and you know it to be from the Lord, **will you receive it?**
- I **can set at the feet of the young people as they minister to me, as they pray for me. I can submit to their anointing.**
- **Anything** and **anyone** at any age **can teach you something**.





- Many different ways of Esther going in before the king is pictured other ways in scripture.
- The last one being **Jesus in Hebrews 6:19-20 entering into that within the veil for us as a forerunner after the order of Melchizedek**.
    - Which *hope* we have as **an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;**
    - Whither **the forerunner is for us entered, *even* Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.**
- The point is, **you can't even go in to see the King unless you are CALLED**.
- There's a lot of people teaching the gospel **that have never been CALLED** to it.
- **It's not BIRTHED** in them.
- It's not been **GIVEN** to them.
- The things of the Kingdom **isn't given to everybody.**
- God is now **CALLING OUT a people for His name.**
- **The door will soon be shut.**



- He is **calling out his people**, his **INSTRUMENT** by which he will collect then the **remnant of Edom** and the **residue of men**.
- Yes, God is looking for **Esther**, the **bride**, who is **listening to Mordecai**, the Holy Spirit.
- **God is looking for the Church who will lay it down.**
- **You have to be called into that.**
- And if you are **not called or summoned and you go in on your own**, **you better know before you go in that the King is in love with you.**
- And **if you don't know that, you best not go in.**
- You have to be **ASSURED**.
  - **When the king saw Esther the queen standing in the court, *that* she obtained favour in his sight**. Esther 5:2



- Esther didn't go in as a virgin or a concubine or one of the other queens, **she went in as His WIFE.**
- Esther went in with a **REQUEST**, a **PURPOSE**.
- **Why do you go in?**
- There will be a lot of Christians who die and go to heaven who have asked God to **do things for them** their whole life and **God answered prayer** and **from the time they were born to the time they died, they didn't have a clue as to His PURPOSE for their life.**
- **Esther was NAÏVE.**
- I didn't say she was **ignorant**, because **she was WILLING to LEARN**.
- **She sent for TRUTH to be reported back to her.**



- When **Esther** sat under the **father ministry** who told her **what to do**, then now **she who had obeyed demanded obedience**.
- And **she who had listened became listened to.**
- And **she who had been governed began to govern.**
- **Do you know that the King is SMITTEN by your PRESENCE**?
    - Thou hast ravished my heart, my sister, ***my*** **spouse**; thou hast **ravished my heart with one of thine eyes**...Song of Solomon 4:9
- **One look from you is what the King is looking for!**
- **Now, somebody has to go in**.
- But **nobody is going in until there is an attitude established**.
- **IF I PERISH, I PERISH**!





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Song of Solomon 7:10



- I pray **you will know that the king is smitten by the thought of you** and that the purpose of the Song of Solomon is not how beautiful he is to you **but how beautiful you are to Him.**
  - I *am* my beloved's, and his desire *is* toward me. Song of Solomon 7:10
- Lord, give us all a fresh sense of a new day, a fresh beginning. Thank you Lord for blotting out our trespasses and washing away our sins. Lord, let there be an anointing on all who hear this Word. Come, Holy Spirit, and speak to us that we would say with Esther, "fast for me". I can't do this by myself. I need the strength. I need the prayers of the body of Christ, God's people. Fast for me and let me go in, and if I perish, I perish. Lord, let that attitude, that anointing, that kind of heart GRIP us. Show us the sobriety and the seriousness of the moment, for indeed we wear the phrase out, "But we have been brought into the kingdom for such a time as this", but there is a need for somebody to lay it all down.
- I'm going to ask you to sit quietly or kneel, or walk around the room, however you are comfortable and pray. I'm asking everyone of you to talk to the Lord. Speak in English or pray in tongues, but let this be the attitude of your heart, to lay it ALL DOWN and if you perish you perish! We are in a serious moment in time. Lord, grip our hearts with fresh commitment.
- Is there anybody out there who is willing to lay it all down and go before the King?

Join me in Song – Esther For Such a Time as This – I WILL!



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- Esther's Intercession is the **turning point** of the book in chapters four and five.
- Both of these chapters speak of her **intercession**.
- **Intercession** is **ENTER-SEED.**
- **We take the seed and we put it in the middle of death**.
- **Enter-Seed – We plant seed**.
- We plant **LIFE** in the midst of **death**.
- **The LORD REIGNS**!



