



Esther: Made for this Moment

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Sermon Series Summary

We have been captivated by their stories since we were children and now we are going to dive into their lives and learn from the “Giants of the Faith” who lived a life of faithfulness and impacted the world for the glory of God. The lessons we learn by their example will encourage us to make our own “Legacies of Faithfulness” for the next generation. Join us as we RUN WITH THE GIANTS!

Main Text

Esther 4:10-14 – ¹⁰ Then Esther spoke to Hathach and commanded him to go to Mordecai and say, ¹¹ “All the king’s servants and the people of the king’s provinces know that if any man or woman goes to the king inside the inner court without being called, there is but one law – to be put to death, except the one to whom the king holds out the golden scepter so that he may live. But as for me, I have not been called to come in to the king these thirty days.”

Big Idea – God is at Work: This is Your Time to Shine...Don’t Miss this Moment

Three Laws of Living Out God’s Purpose

Law #1 - The Law of Influence: God is the Author of Your Influence – Follow His Direction

Esther 2:15-17 – ¹⁵ When the turn came for Esther the daughter of Abihail the uncle of Mordecai, who had taken her as his own daughter, to go in to the king, she asked for nothing except what Hegai the king’s eunuch, who had charge of the women, advised. Now Esther was winning favor in the eyes of all who saw her. ¹⁶ And when Esther was taken to King Ahasuerus, into his royal palace, in the tenth month, which is the month of Tebeth, in the seventh year of his reign, ¹⁷ the king loved Esther more than all the women, and she won grace and favor in his sight more than all the virgins, so that he set the royal crown on her head and made her queen instead of Vashti.

Law #2 - The Law of Timing: God's Timing is Perfect – Be Patient, Listen, and Wait for Him

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¹²And they told Mordecai what Esther had said. ¹³Then Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, “Do not think to yourself that in the king’s palace you will escape any more than all the other Jews. ¹⁴For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father’s house will perish. And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?”

Law #3 – The Law of Solid Ground: Live Your Life on the Solid Foundation for Stability and Success, All Other Ground is Sinking Sand

Esther 4:15-17 – ¹⁵Then Esther told them to reply to Mordecai, ¹⁶“Go, gather all the Jews to be found in Susa, and hold a fast on my behalf, and do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my young women will also fast as you do. Then I will go to the king, though it is against the law, and if I perish, I perish.” ¹⁷Mordecai then went away and did everything as Esther had ordered him.

Esther 8:1-2,17 – ¹On that day King Ahasuerus gave to Queen Esther the house of Haman, the enemy of the Jews. And Mordecai came before the king, for Esther had told what he was to her. ²And the king took off his signet ring, which he had taken from Haman, and gave it to Mordecai. And Esther set Mordecai over the house of Haman...¹⁷And in every province and in every city, wherever the king’s command and his edict reached, there was gladness and joy among the Jews, a feast and a holiday. And many from the peoples of the country declared themselves Jews, for fear of the Jews had fallen on them.

Memory Verse

Psalms 27:14 (ESV) –Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

Challenge:

You are called to consistently apply the divine principles and truths found in the Word of God. Take the next step in your study by (1) Discussing and applying the sermon with your small group, (2) Participating in a Sunday School class, or (3) Study through the study guide found at the Welcome Center.