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Focus: Esther – Positioned for Purpose

Week 5: Legacy and Leadership – Movement over Moment

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Introduction: God's purpose always reaches beyond a single moment. He is not only working in what you face right now. He is preparing something that will bless others long after your moment has passed. The closing chapters of Esther show us that God does more than rescue His people. He builds something strong and lasting. He turns simple obedience into a movement that shapes families, communities, and generations. Esther and Mordecai remind us that when we give God our courage, our trust, and our steady walk with Him, He uses our lives to create joy, identity, protection, and spiritual memory for the people who will come after us.

Key Scriptures

- **Esther 8:17** – The reversal becomes public as joy spreads and many people turn toward the God of Israel.
- **Esther 9:20–22** – Mordecai records the events and establishes Purim as a yearly celebration of joy, rest, and deliverance.
- **Esther 9:29** – Esther confirms Purim with full royal authority, ensuring it becomes a lasting ordinance.
- **Esther 10:1–3** – Mordecai rises to national leadership and works for the good of his people, ending the book with stability and peace.
- **Esther 9:28** – Purim is declared a permanent celebration for every generation to remember God's great deliverance.

1. A Moment of Obedience Can Birth a Movement of Purpose - (Esther 8:17)

Sometimes God uses a single act of obedience to open doors that reach far beyond the moment. When you say yes to God, He can use it to shape the future of others.

Truths to See

- Esther's courage did not end with her. It started a movement across an entire empire.
- God used one act of obedience to influence cultures, families, and future generations.
- Obedience may begin small, but God multiplies it.

Biblical Examples:

Abraham's step of faith (**Genesis 12**)

David's courage (**1 Samuel 17**)

Mary's surrender (**Luke 1**)

The boy's offering (**John 6**)

Application for Today: Ask God to show you the one act of obedience He is calling you to take right now. It may feel small, but God can use that step to bless people you know and people you will never meet.

2. God Does Not Just Bring You Through He Builds Something In You – (Esther 9:20-22)

God does not waste your journey. Every season you survive becomes a place where God strengthens your identity, your faith, and your testimony.

Truths to See

- Purim became a joyful reminder of deliverance, identity, and the faithfulness of God.
- God did not want Israel to be shaped by trauma. He wanted them to be shaped by joy.
- Deliverance is not the end. It is the beginning of what God wants to develop in us.

Biblical Examples:

Noah and the promise (**Genesis 9**)
Joshua's memorial stones (**Joshua 4**)

Moses and Miriam's song (**Exodus 15**)
Communion as remembrance (**Luke 22**)

Application for Today: Take time to reflect on what God has formed in you through past challenges. Consider how He has strengthened your faith, shaped your character, and deepened your gratitude. Let your story remind you that deliverance is not the end but the beginning of who God is calling you to become.

3. Legacy Is Built Through Consistent Faithfulness - Esther 9:29; 10:1–3

Legacies are not created in dramatic moments but through steady trust in God over time. What you do consistently becomes the foundation for someone else's future.

Truths to See

- Esther remained queen long after the crisis. Her steady presence became protection.
- Mordecai served for the good of the people. His leadership was rooted in character.
- Legacy is never built by a single moment. It is shaped through daily faithfulness.

Biblical Examples

Joseph's long obedience (Genesis 39–50)
Ruth's loyal commitment (Ruth 1–4)

Daniel's devotion (Daniel 6)
Paul's with Timothy & Titus (2 Timothy 1–2)

Application for Today: Think about the people who are strengthened by your steadiness. Your daily choices, your integrity, and your commitment create stability for others. Ask God to help you remain faithful in the places where you serve, lead, or influence. Your consistency may be quietly shaping someone else's future in ways you do not yet see.

Personal Reflection Questions:

- † What yes is God inviting me to offer?
- † What has God built in me through past seasons?
- † Who is strengthened by my consistency?

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