Sermon Series: Message #4 Esther: Divine Reversal

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Seaside Community Church October 8, 2023

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Next week: Introduction to Esther 5

Notes and audio available as a podcast at www.seasidehb.org

Growth Group Questions

- 1. Ask someone to summarize the story of Esther 1-4 for the rest of the group.
- 2. Even though God is not mentioned in the book of Esther where do you see God's intervention and providence being worked out? When have you experienced God's intervention in a way that you never expected?

3. In Esther 4:3 we read that the people fasted, wept, and lamented. It's safe to assume they also prayed although the text does not mention it. What role does prayer and fasting play in your spiritual life? How can we use this spiritual discipline in troubling times?

4. Read Esther 4:16 and Mark 8:34-38 Do you see any parallels in Mark to the book of Esther? Does this bring to mind anything that you might apply to your own life?
5. Are there areas in your life God might be requiring you to sacrifice and step out in faith for the good of others?

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6. Close your time together by praying for each other