

Divine Reversal
ROLLING THE DICE

Esther 5:1-14

Where we are in the story...

Background review...

When God seems silent, what can we do?

We trust

Proverbs 3:5-6; Romans 1:17; Hebrews 11:1, 6

We wait

Psalms 27:14; 33:20; 37:7; 40:1-3

We obey

Matthew 7:20-29

We pray

Romans 12:12; Philippians 4:6-7; 2 Thess. 3:2-3; 1 Tim. 2:1-4

Growth Group Questions

1. Read Esther 5 aloud together.
Who are the main characters? What is happening in this part of the story?

2. In light of John's teaching on Sunday, what sticks out to you in Esther 5?

3. Esther approached King Ahasuerus' throne at great risk to herself. Read Hebrews 4:16. How can we approach God's throne and why? Discuss the similarities between Jesus and Esther

Next week: Introduction to Esther 6

4. Read James 1:14-15

How does it help explain the pathway Haman took from pride to mass genocide?

How does it warn us today?

How can sin grow and gain power in your own life?

How should we address sin in our own life before it grows further?

5. How does Haman's response to his wife and friends' advice mirror the dangers of surrounding oneself with enablers?

6. Consider the invisible hand of God at work in the events of this chapter. How does this encourage you in your life today? How do you find comfort in God's ultimate sovereignty?

7. Close your time together by praying for each other.

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