SALVATION THROUGH JUDGMENT

Esther 6:14-7:10

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Psalm 73:27 promises that God will vanquish all his enemies. In Esther 7, God sovereignly brings the evil Haman, the enemy of the Jews, to an end. Though God is not mentioned in the book of Esther, themes of the gospel run throughout. We see that God delivers justice against all evil-doers, but provides grace for all sinners who turn from their sin and trust in him.

I. Esther Shows Courage in Confronting Sin (6:14-7:6)

- A. Esther identifies with God's people
- B. Esther calls out sin rather than cooperating with sinners

II. Haman is Caught in the Consequences of Sin (7:7-10a)

- A. Haman attempts to avoid the consequences
- B. Haman reaps what he sows

III. God Provides the Cross for all Contrite Sinners (7:10b)

- A. God will defeat his enemies and destroy sin
- B. God saves sinners from his wrath who trust in Christ

TO DISCUSS WITH FAMILY OR FRIENDS:

- 1. Why do people often attempt to conceal their sin instead of confessing it?
- 2. How often do you consider that God's wrath against your sin has been satisfied by Christ on the cross? Why should we ponder this truth more often?