



A Stand Alone Message | The Spirit of Haman

“Haman’s Lies - Understanding Anti-Semitism and Standing with Israel”

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Opening Prayer (2-3 minutes)

Begin by asking God to speak to each person's heart and to create a safe space for honest sharing and reflection.

Icebreaker

What was something new or surprising you learned from this sermon about Israel, the Jewish people, or anti-Semitism?

Key Takeaways from the Sermon

1. **Anti-Semitism is a major end-times sign** - Jesus warned that the Jewish people would be hated by all nations before His return (Matthew 24:9).
2. **God's covenant with Israel is everlasting** - Genesis 17 establishes an eternal covenant with Abraham's descendants and the land of Israel.
3. **The spirit of Amalek persists** - From Esau's hatred of Jacob to Hamas today, there is a generational, spiritual hatred against the Jewish people.
4. **Haman's four core lies** are still used today:
 - Jews are different
 - Jews are disloyal
 - Jews are dangerous
 - Jews are disposable

5. **The Spirit of Esther must arise** - It's time for courage, not cowardice, in standing with Israel and speaking truth.
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Discussion Questions

Section 1: Understanding Biblical Foundations

1. **Read Genesis 12:3 together.** How does God's promise to Abraham—"I will bless those who bless you and curse those who curse you"—apply to Christians today? What does it mean practically to "bless" the Jewish people?
2. **The sermon mentioned that almost half of Christians believe in replacement theology.** What is replacement theology, and why is it problematic according to Scripture? How would you respond to someone who says "the Church has replaced Israel"?
3. **Look at Amos 9:14-15.** How was this prophecy fulfilled in 1948? What does it mean that God said the Jews would "no longer be pulled up from the land"?

Section 2: Confronting Modern Lies

4. **The sermon outlined five major lies being told about Israel today:**

- Israel is committing genocide
- Israel is an apartheid state
- Israel stole Palestinian land
- Israel illegally occupies the West Bank
- Israel is a settler colonial project

Which of these lies have you heard most frequently? How did the facts presented in the sermon change or confirm your understanding?

5. **Why do you think anti-Semitism has exploded since October 7, 2023?** What spiritual forces might be at work behind this increase?
6. **The sermon mentioned that hatred of Jews is at its maximum level in world history.** Have you noticed increased anti-Semitism in your community, workplace, social media, or among family members? How have you responded?

Section 3: The Spirit of Esther

7. **Read Esther 4:13-16 together.** Mordecai told Esther she had come to the kingdom "for such a time as this." What does it mean for the "Spirit of Esther" to arise in our generation? How might God be calling you to speak up?
8. **Esther said, "If I perish, I perish."** What risks might Christians face today for standing with Israel? What are you personally willing to risk to stand for truth?
9. **Pastor Jimmy emphasized courage over cowardice.** In what situations might you need to demonstrate courage regarding Israel or the Jewish people (family gatherings, social media, workplace conversations, etc.)?

Section 4: Personal Application

10. **Have you ever struggled with questions about Israel or felt confused by conflicting narratives?** What resources or information would help you be better equipped to speak truth?
11. **Pastor Jimmy mentioned that some Christians hate Jews while praying to a Jewish Lord and reading a Jewish Bible.** How can we help fellow believers see this inconsistency and develop a biblical love for the Jewish people?
12. **What practical steps can you take this week to:**
 - Pray for Israel and the Jewish people?
 - Educate yourself with facts rather than social media narratives?
 - Stand with Israel in conversations?
 - Combat anti-Semitism when you encounter it?

Practical Applications

Individual Actions:

- **Pray daily for Israel** - Pray for peace in Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6), for Jewish people to recognize Jesus as Messiah, and for protection from enemies

- **Get educated** - Read books like "Haman's Lies" or other biblical resources about Israel
- **Monitor your media consumption** - Be discerning about sources spreading anti-Semitic narratives
- **Speak up on social media** - Share factual information when you see lies being spread about Israel

Group Actions:

- **Host a prayer gathering** specifically focused on Israel and the Jewish people
- **Invite a Messianic Jewish speaker** to share their perspective with your group
- **Study the biblical feasts** together to better understand Jewish heritage and how it points to Christ
- **Support Israel practically** - Research legitimate organizations that support Israel and consider group giving
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Church-Wide Ideas:

- **Organize an Israel education night** with facts about modern Israel
- **Plan a trip to Israel** as a church group
- **Partner with Messianic congregations** in your area
- **Teach a series on Israel's role** in biblical prophecy and end-times events

Scripture Memory

Choose one verse to memorize as a group this week:

Genesis 12:3 - "I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

OR

Esther 4:14 - "And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

Closing Reflection

- **Read Zechariah 12:2-3 together:** "Behold, I am about to make Jerusalem a cup of staggering to all the surrounding peoples... On that day I will make Jerusalem a heavy stone for all peoples. All who lift it will surely hurt themselves, and all the nations of the earth will gather against it."
 - **Reflection Question:** How does this prophecy help you understand current world events? How should this shape your prayers and actions?
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Closing Prayer Points

- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem
 - Pray for Jewish people to recognize Jesus as their Messiah
 - Pray for protection of Israel from enemies
 - Pray for wisdom and courage for Christians to stand with Israel
 - Pray for family members or friends who have been influenced by anti-Semitic narratives
 - Pray for the Spirit of Esther to arise in the Church
 - Pray for boldness to speak truth in love
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Additional Resources

- **Book:** "Haman's Lies: Exposing the Ancient Roots of Anti-Semitism and Why the Spirit of Esther Must Arise"
 - **Scripture Study:** Read the entire Book of Esther together over the next few weeks
 - **Historical Study:** Research the history of Israel from 1948 to present
 - **Ministry Opportunity:** Connect with organizations like Christians United for Israel (CUFI) or International Fellowship of Christians and Jews (IFCJ)
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Leader's Note

This topic may surface strong emotions or conflicting viewpoints in your group. Create a safe space for honest questions while anchoring discussions in Scripture and facts. Encourage grace and patience with one another while maintaining commitment to biblical truth. Remember that standing with Israel doesn't mean we hate Palestinians—we can love both while standing for truth and supporting Israel's right to exist and defend itself.