

Esther 10”

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- I. The book of the annals of the kings of Media and Persia _____ the events of the book of Esther.

“And all his acts of power and might, together with a full account of the greatness of Mordecai, whom the king had promoted, are they not written in the book of the annals of the kings of Media and Persia?”

Esther 10:2 (NIV)

- II. Who is not mentioned in the last chapter of the book of Esther and why?

“For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father’s family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?”

Esther 4:14 (NIV)

“Now when David had served God’s purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep; he was buried with his ancestors and his body decayed.”

Acts 13:36 (NIV)

- III. We are to serve God even in a _____.

“King Xerxes imposed tribute throughout the empire, to its distant shores.”

Esther 10:1 (NIV)

- 1) Mordecai did what was _____ even when he was pressured to do _____.

“All the royal officials at the king’s gate knelt down and paid honor to Haman, for the king had commanded this concerning him. But Mordecai would not kneel down or pay

him honor. Then the royal officials at the king’s gate asked Mordecai, “Why do you disobey the king’s command? “Day after day they spoke to him, but he refused to comply. Therefore, they told Haman about it to see whether Mordecai’s behavior would be tolerated, for he had told them he was a Jew.”

Esther 3:2-4 (NIV)

- 2) Mordecai didn’t just not follow the crowd in doing wrong but he _____ to do right.

“Do everything without grumbling or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, “children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation.” Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky as you hold firmly to the word of life. And then I will be able to boast on the day of Christ that I did not run or labor in vain.”

Philippians 2:14-16 (NIV)

““You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:14-16 (NIV)

“if I am delayed, you will know how people ought to conduct themselves in God’s household, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth.”

1 Timothy 3:15 (NIV)

- 3) Mordecai _____ in doing right even in a wrong society.

“Mordecai the Jew was second in rank to King Xerxes, preeminent among the Jews, and held in high esteem by his many fellow Jews, because he worked for the good of his people and spoke up for the welfare of all the Jews.”

Esther 10:3 (NIV)

- 4) It is good and necessary for the people of God to be involved in _____ and _____.

❖ **Government and politics were created _____ God and _____ God’s _____.**

"Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God... For the one in authority is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for rulers do not bear the sword for no reason. They are God's servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer.

Romans 13:1, 4 (NIV)

- ❖ It doesn't make sense for God to have created government and politics and then want his people to _____ and leave it to the ungodly.

- ❖ God's people should be involved in government and politics for the _____ of the people.

"When the righteous thrive, the people rejoice; when the wicked rule, the people groan."

Proverbs 29:2 (NIV)

Governments ---→ Politics---→ Policies---
→affect people

IV. Having power and position can be _____ but it depends on how it is used.

"Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many... If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact, God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be."

1 Corinthians 12:14,17-18 (NIV)

V. The book of Esther is ultimately fulfilled in _____!

"Mordecai recorded these events, and he sent letters to all the Jews throughout the provinces of King Xerxes, near and far,"

Esther 9:20 (NIV)

"For this is what the high and exalted One says— he who lives forever, whose name is holy: "I live in a high and holy place, but also with the one who is contrite and lowly in spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly and to revive the heart of the contrite. creating praise on their lips.

Peace, peace, to those far and near," says the LORD. "And I will heal them." But the wicked are like the tossing sea, which cannot rest, whose waves cast up mire and mud. "There is no peace," says my God, "for the wicked."

Isaiah 57:15, 19-21 (NIV)

"Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

Acts 2:38-39 (NIV)

(Ephesians 2:11-17)

"He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near."

Ephesians 2:17 (NIV)

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Acts 1:8 (NIV)