

Title: 'For Such a Time as This' Pt. 7 'The Deathly Gallows'

Main text: Esther 5:1-14

Suppl. verse: Matthew 10:16

Introduction: Today, we move into chapter 5 & we'll see the results of Esther's visit before the king.

1. One chapter, two plans

- **Radically** different plans.
- Sometimes we're just on **autopilot**.
- Each day is a **gift** & **grace** from God.
- More about **our** glory or **His**?
- Building **my** kingdom or **God's**?
- Those who **procrastinate** or who are **presumptuous**.

2. A selfless plan

- A waste of time & effort.
- Moved from asking to acting.
- Putting feet to faith.
- Only theoretical & never practiced.
- A big sigh of relief.
- Far from falling from favor.
- A massive problem. A generous offer.
- Asking for the reversal of an irreversible law.
- The privacy of her request.
- Seems to pique the king's curiosity.

3. A selfish plan

- An ***intense, unbridled*** outburst of anger.

- **Braggarts** love an **audience**.
- We always **crave** what we don't have.
- Things of this world do not **satisfy**.

Sermon notes:

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