

GOD IS THE HERO OF THE STORY
Esther 2:1-18

1. It was God that made Ahasuerus miserable

After these things, when the anger of King Ahasuerus had abated, he remembered Vashti and what she had done and what had been decreed against her. (1)

2. It was God that gave Esther her beauty

The young woman had a beautiful figure and was lovely to look at, (7)

3. It was God that moved Mordecai's heart for Esther

and when her father and her mother died, Mordecai took her as his own daughter. (7)

4. It was God that caused Hegai to favor Esther

And the young woman pleased him and won his favor. And he quickly provided her with her cosmetics and her portion of food, and with seven chosen young women from the king's palace, and advanced her and her young women to the best place in the harem. (9)

5. It was God that prompted Ahasuerus to pick Esther

the king loved Esther more than all the women, and she won grace and favor in his sight more than all the virgins, so that he set the royal crown on her head and made her queen instead of Vashti. (17)

6. It is God that uses flawed people