



A Man of God's Response to Opposition ...Esther 3-8

"Do not think in your heart that you will escape in the king's palace any more than all the other Jews. For if you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" ...Esther 4: 13-14 (NKJV)

Words of Wisdom

"Applause doesn't change truly humble people, for the values are far deeper. God can trust His blessings with the humble because they seek to honor only the Lord." ~ Warren Wiersbe

1. God uses different people for His will...

Scripture: 1st Corinthians 12: 12-27

2. Setting the Scene...

Scripture: Esther 1-2

3. Mordecai's character...

- No Compromise...
 - Esther 3
- Wisdom and Divine Appointments...
 - Esther 4
- Humility and Response to Opposition...
 - Esther 6

4. God's Divine Reversal...

- From Haman's rise and Mordecai's pending execution to Haman's execution and Mordecai's rise
- From the Jews on the verge of annihilation to the Jews thriving
 - Esther 7-8

From the Word

Group Discussion

1. Would you describe Mordecai as a "Strong Man" or a "Legacy Maker"? Explain...
2. In Esther chapter 4, Mordecai recognizes Queen Esther's "for such a time as this" moment. What is your "for such a time as this" moment?
 - Think about the condition of your home, the workplace.
 - What divine appointments have occurred or are happening right now?
3. What did you hear or learn from tonight's discussion that spoke to you personally? How will you directly and specifically apply it in your life today?

Prayer

Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)

How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

Discuss your answer with your group...

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God's Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)