

## **FROM ROYAL INSOMNIA TO DIVINE JUSTICE (ESTHER 6:1-14)**

\* What are some lessons to be learned from the ending of Esther 5 and the bondage of a lack of forgiveness?

- I. THE PERSONAL SELECTION OF ESTHER (1:1- 2:23)**
- II. THE DIABOLICAL INTENTION OF HAMAN (3:1-4:3)**
- III. THE COURAGEOUS INTERCESSION OF ESTHER (4:4-5:14)**
- IV. THE DIVINE PRESERVATION OF ISRAEL (6:1-9:19)**

### **A. The MAGNIFYING of MORDECAI. (6:1-14)**

**The invisible hand of God's providence and intervention is clearly seen ...**

- 1. By the king's \_\_\_\_\_ on the night before \_\_\_\_\_ planned \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. (6:1a)**

\*Why couldn't the king sleep?

\*Ecclesiastes 5:12

\*While we need our sleep, what can we be thankful for regarding our sovereign, gracious God? (Psalm 121:3-4)

\*What is true every morning that you face? (Lamentations 3:22-23)

- 2. By the king's choice of entertainment, namely the \_\_\_\_\_.**  
**(6:1b)**

\*What options did he have available?

- 3. By the servant's choice of the book of \_\_\_\_\_, and his reading of the attempted assassination attempt that was exposed by Mordecai. (6:2)**

\*How long before had the assassination attempt occurred? (2:21-23)

**4. By the King's delay in \_\_\_\_\_ Mordecai for saving the king's life. (6:1b-3)**

\*Does God have His hand in the timing of events?

\*What should we remember about God fulfilling His promises as well as His future reward?

**5. By the early entrance of \_\_\_\_\_ to the King's court to suggest that the King \_\_\_\_\_ Mordecai on the gallows he had prepared for him. (6:4-5)**

\*What is remarkable about all this?

**6. By the amazing turn of events that Haman would have to \_\_\_\_\_ Mordecai instead of \_\_\_\_\_ him due to \_\_\_\_\_ own recommendation. (6:6-12)**

\*Who did Haman think the King wanted to honor?

\*What does Haman's quick answer indicate about his aspirations and dreams?

\*Proverbs 18:22; 29:13

\*How is Mordecai described by the king?

\*How are the characters of Haman and Mordecai contrasted here?

\*How is irony underscored again in this story?

**7. By the comments and conclusion of Haman's wife and friends, "*If Mordecai, before whom you have begun to fall, is of \_\_\_\_\_, you will \_\_\_\_\_ against him but will surely \_\_\_\_\_ before him.*" (6:13)**

\*What do those close to Haman recognize by all this?

\*What are some lessons for you to learn from all of this?