



## **The Promise of God to the People of God Esther 10:1-3**

**Esther 10:1-2** King Ahasuerus imposed tax on the land and on the coastlands of the sea. 2 And all the acts of his power and might, and the full account of the high honor of Mordecai, to which the king advanced him, are they not written in the Book of the Chronicles of the kings of Media and Persia?

- This King is still in charge but then assassinated.
- The book of chronicles is huge in our story.

**Esther 10:3** For Mordecai the Jew was second in rank to King Ahasuerus, and he was great among the Jews and popular with the multitude of his brothers, for he sought the welfare of his people and spoke peace to all his people.

- Mordecai, like Joseph, was 2nd in command in a pagan government.

### **Mordecai sought good for his people.**

- Willing to act, to lay down his life.
- Not interested in his own comfort or welfare.

### **Mordecai spoke up for their welfare!**

- Some speak up for their people, intercede, become a voice.
- Being a prophet, speaking truth.
- Speaking out against injustice.

### **A Review of Esther:**

- Explains the origin of the Feast of Purim.
- **The players have their roles but God is the hero of this story.**

**Esther 9:20-22** And Mordecai recorded these things and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, obliging them to keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same, year by year, as the days on which the Jews got relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and gifts to the poor.

- God places His people in tough places.
- God always leaves a remnant.

**Acts 18:10** for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many in this city who are my people.

- God calls people, often individuals, to rise up “for such a time as this.”
- God brings the wicked to justice.
- God saves His own.

**God does great things and delivers His people; remember and make much of HIM!**

- God to Abraham:

**Genesis 12:3** I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.

- God to Moses:

**Exodus 6:6-8** Say therefore to the people of Israel, ‘I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the Lord your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the Lord.

- God to us:

**Colossians 1:13-14** He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**We get God.**