



Esther

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Episode 1

(Esther 1 – 2:18)

Xerxes vs Vashti

Esther

- Impressed all who saw her and won people's favour (2:8-9 & 2:15)

King Xerxes

- He is easily angered and has little respect for women (1:12 & 1:11 & 2:4)

Mordecai

- Respects and cares for Esther and checks she is OK (2:11)

Questions

What are we like when we are put in situations that are out of our control?

How do we deal with them?

Episode 2

(Esther 2:19 – 5:2)

The Plot Thickens

Mordecai

- Has integrity (2:22)

Esther

- Shows courage (5:1)
- Leadership (4:16)
- Keeps her word (5:1)

Question

What do we need to bring before God today in our lives before we take action?

Episode 3

(Esther 5:3 – 7:9)

More Banquets...

Mordecai

- Will not bow down to Haman (3:2)
- Has humility (6:12)

Haman

- Arrogant and easily angered (5:9)
- Self-important (6:7)

Esther

- Wisdom (5:8)

Question

In what circumstances, relationships or situations do we need wisdom?

Episode 4

(Esther 8:1 – 10:3)

The Tables Are Turned

Esther

- Bravery and courage (8:3)
- Committed to God's people (7:3 & 8:3)

Mordecai

- Committed to God's people (4:8 & 8:9)

Questions

How does God want to use us?

What of our character does he want to make more like his?
