



Unexpected Request Esther 5-7

Who is in control? Our answer motivates our actions.

Who is in control? Our answer determines how we view life.

Who is in control? Our answer secures our future.

Timeless Truth:

Believing God is in control gives us motivation for living, proper perspective, and security in the future.

Discussion Questions:

Who is in control? Even when we know the answer is God, how do our thoughts (what we constantly think about) and our actions (how we spend our time and money) sometimes reveal a different answer?

How does the hidden hand of God in these chapters encourage you to go on trusting Him even if He seems to be absent from world affairs and/or the daily circumstances of your life?

Right when all hope seemed lost for Mordecai, what small, yet pivotal incident occurred in Esther 6:1-3? This began to turn things around for Mordecai and the Jews. List as many reversals of fate as you can from Esther chapters 5-7.

Read 2 Corinthians 5:21. Have you ever considered Jesus' work on the cross as a reversal? Have you come to a place of humility, realizing that you are in desperate need of this exchange? (My sin exchanged for his righteousness) If you have accepted the exchange, how does the great reversal of Jesus on the cross give you confidence in your salvation?

Take time to pray as a group. Praise God for being in control of all things and ask Him to give you the courage to trust Him deeper.