## Esther - Lesson 10

## **Esther Chapter 10**

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Memory verses for this week: 2Pe 2:9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

*Introduction:* We conclude our study on the book of Esther this week as we cover chapter 10. Mordecai by the authority of the king, had drafted a law sent throughout the provinces telling the Jews that they had the right to fight back if anyone attempted to harm them.

## I. THE VICTOR ELEVATED.

Est 10:1 And the king Ahasuerus laid a tribute upon the land, and upon the isles of the sea.

Est 10:2 And all the acts of his power and of his might, and the declaration of the greatness of Mordecai, whereunto the king advanced him, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Media and Persia?

Est 10:3 For Mordecai the Jew was next unto king Ahasuerus, and great among the Jews, and accepted of the multitude of his brethren, seeking the wealth of his people, and speaking peace to all his seed.

As the book of Esther comes to a close, this passage surely extols the greatness of Mordecai. Notice that this book of Esther opens with two Jewish cousins who have no authority or power in the kingdom of Persia. Even when Esther is elevated to a position as queen, she remains isolated in a palace where she knew nothing of what was going on.

She had no access to the king except on rare occasions, and Mordecai was a nobody who was powerless. By the time we come to the end of the book, the queen has great power and is writing a message that is to be distributed to all the Jews in the 127 provinces of the Persian Empire. Mordecai is the Prime Minister exercising great power by the authority of the king.

This is a fitting illustration of the following Scriptures.

*I Sam. 2:8* "He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the LORD'S, and he hath set the world upon them."

**Psa. 113:7** "He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, [and] lifteth the needy out of the dunghill."

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Prov 4:18 But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

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