

Esther: The Providence of God

Introduction pt2

- A. What?
- B. Where?
- C. When?
- D. Why?
- E. Importance of this book to us...
 1. Israel is God's _____ people, and He has _____ to bless those who bless Israel and curse those who curse Israel. (Gen. 12:1-3; Deu. 7:6-11; Ps 2:1-5)
 2. Today, Israel is in unbelief, however, they are not _____ by the church. (Rom 9-11)
 3. This story brings us hope in that God is _____ over the affairs of men and that He has a _____ for you and I. (Rom. 8:28; 11:11-12; 12:1-2; Eph. 1:7-9; 2:10)
 4. Just like the Jews, prosperity, comfort, and fear _____ us from serving others and worshipping God as we should. (Col. 3:1-3; 1 Tim. 6:6-10; Heb. 12:1; Jam. 1:12; 1 Jn. 2:15-17)
 5. God is always _____ behind the scenes for His people and His church, His plans will not _____! (Rom. 8:28; Phil 2:13; Jn. 16:33; 1 Jn. 5:4-5)
 6. Though Satan may _____ to be winning, he has already _____ the war. (Gen. 3:15; Jn. 19:30; Titus 3:4-7; Rev. 20:1-3, 7-10; Rev 21)

7. God is faithful even when we are not, _____ Him. (2 Tim. 2:13)

8. God is an ever-present _____ in time of trouble. (Ps. 46:1)

9. God never takes a day _____, He is _____ His people. (Ps. 121:4; Heb. 13:5; Rom. 8:38-39; Jn. 10:7-16, 28-29)

F. God's providence

1. Divine providence is God's activity that _____ His creation and _____ out His plan for it.

2. God's providence does not nullify human responsibility, nor does He override our free will but rather _____ for these things in His plan.

3. God's providence for Israel is _____ in Scripture for our _____ so that we, the church, can _____ His providence for us. (Rom. 15:4)

4. In order to _____ God's will, you must be willing to _____ God's will. (Jn. 7:17; Pro 3:5-6)