

Working Together

Esther: Chapter Five

A. Incredible Courage

1. We see a hint that the events of this book are coming together according to _____ plan.
(Esther 5:1)
2. Esther shows incredible _____ and wisdom as she puts on her royal robes and makes an _____ before the king. (Esther 5:1)
3. The king extends grace to Esther by holding out his scepter to her thereby _____ her life. (Esther 5:2)

- What is grace?

- What do these events display to us?

God is in _____ while allowing man to make _____ in life.

B. Puzzling Requests

1. The king not only desired to save the queen but also to give the queen a big _____.
(Esther 5:3)

- What does it mean when the king says, "...up to half the kingdom?"

It is a figure of speech which showed that the king was _____
in granting her request.

2. Esther requested that the king and Haman _____ her banquet that day where she would make her request. (Esther 5:4)

- What are some things we can note about this invitation?

This banquet was to be the very _____ and the queen requested the presence of Haman.

3. The king immediately _____ her invitation. (Esther 5:5)
4. At the banquet, the king again offers Esther to fulfill her request, but she invites them both to _____ banquet the next day. (Esther 5:6-8)

- Why does she do this?

God was not ready for her to confront the king about Haman at this time.

C. Enormous Ego

1. The invitation to the queen's banquet the next day brought tremendous joy and pride to Haman, but this was squelched when _____ rose in him at the sight of Mordecai. (Esther 5:9-13)

- What can we learn from this?

Bitterness is poison to you and _____ you of your joy.

2. Haman's wife and friends seek to cure his bitterness with the suggestion of building a great _____ instrument for his enemy Mordecai.
3. Haman was _____ with the idea.

D. Remember

1. We need to remember that God is _____.
2. We need to see with the eyes of _____.
3. We need to be watchful so that you do not become _____.