

The Book of
the Kings



- *Colossians 1:27* To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which **is Christ in you, the hope of glory**

Esther 3... How the **FLESH**
lusteth against the **SPIRIT**.



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**Esther 4... How the SPIRIT
lusteth against the FLESH.**

"Lusting Lessons"



Esther 4:1-9

just say...

Dear friend, I am not a new creation for you; I am an old friend you have known before. I have come from the Father, and the Father has also sent me. I am the light, and the light is already shining in the darkness. So do not let the darkness rule your life; instead, let the light of the Son of God rule your life. I have written these things to you so that you may not be deceived by the evil one. I am the true light, and the light of life is in me. This is the true light that gives life to everyone who believes in me. I am the true light, and the light of life is in me. This is the true light that gives life to everyone who believes in me. I am the true light, and the light of life is in me. This is the true light that gives life to everyone who believes in me.

Application :

- Historical
- Devotional/Practical (Inspirational)
- Doctrinal (Prophetical)

❖ HISTORICAL Application



“Meet the Cast”

**Esther 1:1-
2:18**

- ✓ **Ahasuerus** is a great king over a vast kingdom. From India to Ethiopia- 127 provinces!
- ✓ His Gentile Bride (**VASHTI**) is replaced by Jewish Queen (**ESTHER**)
- ✓ Orchestrated by **MORDECAI**.

❖ HISTORICAL Application



Esther
1:2, 2:21

✓ "IN
THOSE
DAYS"

❖ DOCTRINAL / PROPHETICAL Application



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**Esther 1:1-
2:18**

- ✓ The “Great King” is a picture of **THE** Sovereign Authority! (**God Himself**)
- ✓ “In those days”... *context*.
Tribulation
 - ✓ Esther 1:2 to 2:21:
“**Bookends**” to set context
- ✓ A Gentile Queen (Vashti) is **replaced** by a Jewish Queen (Esther)
- ✓ Under the direction of Mordecai (**the Spirit of God**)

"AhasuerUS"



**Esther 1:1-
2:18**

- A **DECISIVE KING** that will *represent* **our soul**, which is comprised of our mind, our **emotion** and our **will**. That part that reigns in sovereignty over the kingdom we call our life.

“Vashti”



**Esther 1:1-
2:18**

➤ **A DISCARDED QUEEN** that will *represent our human spirit*, that became fallen due to a sinful decision, and is **identified biblically** as our OLD or FALLEN nature.

"Esther"



**Esther 1:1-
2:18**

➤ A **DISCHARGED QUEEN** that likewise represents **our human spirit**, that was REVIVED by God's Spirit, by **birth and adoption**, that we now refer to as our NEW nature.

➤ A DECISIVE KING... King Ahasuerus

❖ DEVOTIONAL / PRACTICAL Application



"Meet the Cast"

Esther 1:1-
2:18

- ✓ "Ahasuerus" represents a **human soul**.
- ✓ The kingdom of 127 provinces represents **our body**.
- ✓ God made each of us a "king" over a "kingdom" **we call our life**.
- ✓ Soul- a "trinity"- Emotions, Mind (Intellect), and Will
- ✓ **Spirit and Soul** are "wed" together

➤ A DIVINE RELATIVE... MORDECAI

❖ HISTORICAL / DOCTRINAL / DEVOTIONAL



"Meet the Cast"

**Esther 1:1-
2:18**

- ✓ Never vaunts himself.
- ✓ Name **means** "little man" (**HUMBLE**).
- ✓ Not used to speaking of himself.
- ✓ Pictures the Holy Spirit.
- ✓ Related to Esther (revived human spirit) by **birth and adoption.**

- *John 6:44* No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.
- *John 16:7-8* Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment

- 2 Peter 1:4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: **that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature**, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

❖ HISTORICAL / DOCTRINAL / DEVOTIONAL

"MORDECAI"



"Meet the Cast"

**Esther 1:1-
2:18**

- ✓ Never vaunts himself.
- ✓ Name **means** "little man"
- ✓ Works in the **background**
- ✓ **Pictures the Holy Spirit.**
- ✓ Related to Esther (revived human spirit) by **birth and adoption.**
- ✓ **Filled the Void for Ahasuerus in giving him Esther (the new nature)**

“Refusing To Take A Bow”



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- 4 Things To Teach Us Concerning Our Battle With The Flesh Through The Picture God Paints Through Haman:

❖ We Must Allow The Word Of God To Make A Clear ...

1. IDENTIFICATION of WHO The ENEMY Is
2. DETERMINATION of WHAT The ENEMY Wants.
3. PRESENTATION of HOW The ENEMY Works.
4. REVELATION of WHERE The ENEMY Leads.

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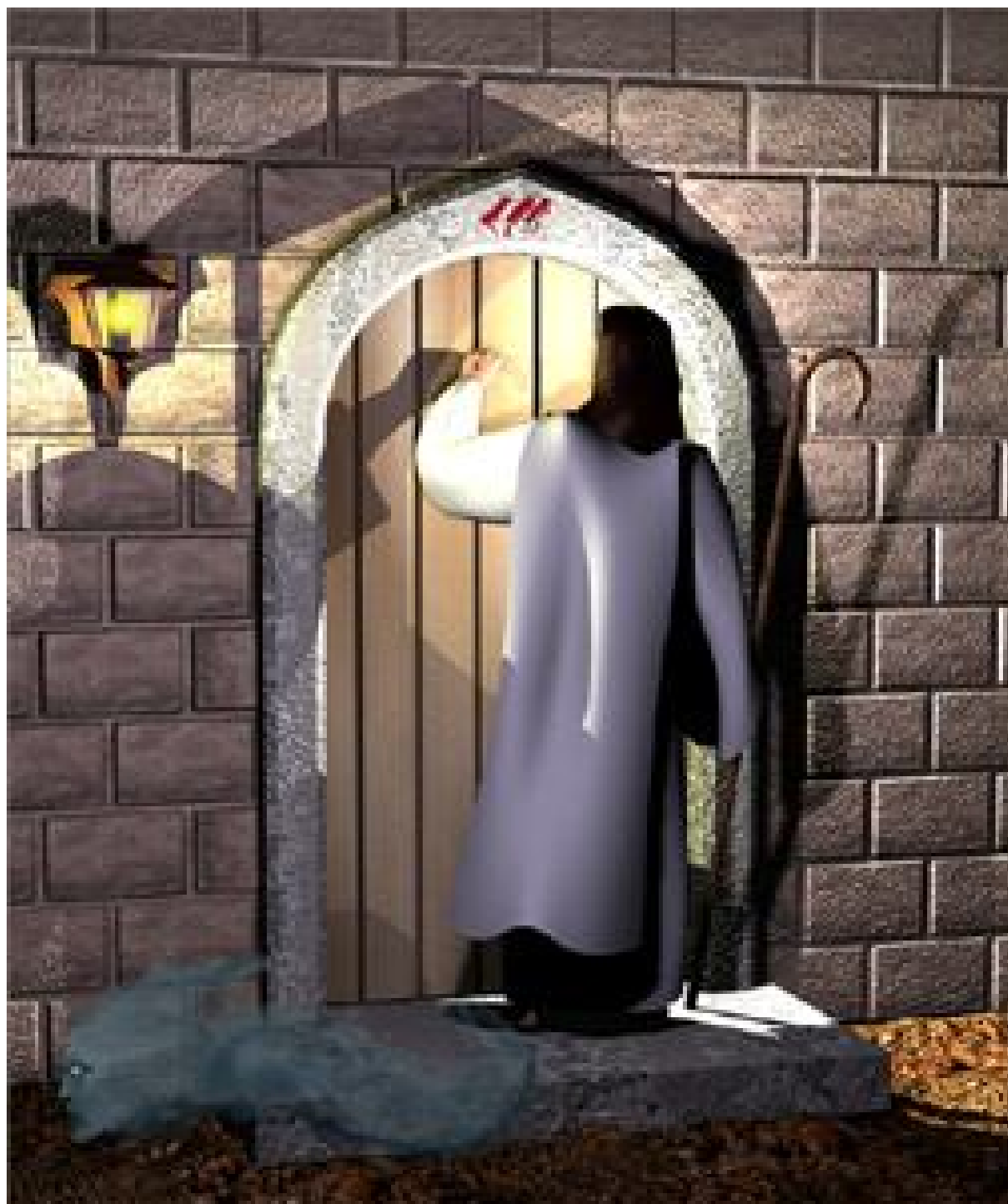
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- The
Showdown
That Leads
To Victory:



- Revelation 3:14-17 And unto the angel of the church of the **Laodiceans** write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God; I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because **thou art lukewarm**, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:



Behold,
I stand
at the door,
and knock:
if any man
hear my voice,
and open the
door, I will
come in
to him...

~Revelation 3:20



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- The
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To Victory:

1. The Spirit of God **GRIEVES** within us as long as the **FLESH** has **POSSESSION** of the **RING**.

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- The
Showdown
That Leads To
Victory:

2. We have difficulty understanding what's happening Spiritually because our SOUL has built **SAFEGUARDS** around itself to keep from being **CONFRONTED** with the **REAL** Spiritual issues.

- 2 Samuel 12:5-7 And **David's anger was greatly kindled against the man**; and he said to Nathan, As the LORD liveth, the man that hath done this thing shall surely die: And he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity. **And Nathan said to David, Thou art the man.** Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul;

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3. Though our soul is unaware of the Spirit's grief, **EVERY ASPECT** of our Spiritual life is **AWARE & AFFECTED.**

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To Victory:

4. Our 1st reaction is to try to find a way to **APPEASE** the Spirit, without doing what is necessary to **PLEASE Him.**

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To Victory:

5. We try to cover the REAL issue with
a change of **RAIMENT**, when the real
answer is a change of GOVERNMENT .

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- The Showdown That Leads To Victory:

6. The first step in the right direction is asking the Spirit of God the right questions: **WHAT** and **WHY** is it?

- *Psalms 139:23-24* Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

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❖ Hatach =

TRUTH

- *John 17:17* Sanctify them through thy truth: **thy word is truth.**

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- The
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Victory:

7. We must understand that in order to get the **RIGHT ANSWER** from the Spirit of God, we must consult the **TRUTH** (Word) of God.

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8. There can be no **LASTING**
VICTORY until our spirit is willing
to confront our soul with **THE**
TRUTH.