GOING DEEPER

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THE BOOK OF ESTHER

READ IT

- ☐ Esther Chapter Four
- ☐ 2 Corinthians 5:7-10
- ☐ Psalm 23
- ☐ Song of Solomon 2:11-12
- ☐ Proverbs 3:5-6
- ☐ Romans 8:28

WRITE IT

For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father's family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this? Esther 4:14

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- In verses 5-6, we see where Esther reaches out to Mordecai. *Do you think she might have been afraid to–seeing as this might announce where her loyalties are?*

- Esther's upbringing and maturity really shine in this chapter. *How often, when we are faced with a difficult situation do we start with prayer and fasting? In this, if not before, Esther beings living her truth.*

- In verse 16, acting under God's direction, she sends instructions to Mordecai. Her last words to him are, "If I perish, I perish." She is living in luxury and has everything. The king loves her! *Why make waves? Hadn't God allowed her parents to die when she was young? Maybe God owed this to her for having been an orphan. Do you see how this kind of thinking places us outside the will of God?*

- Verse 14 speaks to us: "Perhaps this is the moment for which you have been created." *What are your talents, your gifts? They are there waiting to be recognized by you and used for His glory.*

- Mordecai exemplifies living out his faith, even before he told anyone about it. *How can we live out truth without fear when we are opposed?*

Like Esther, we don't know our future. But like her, we can take our journey, seeking God's guidance in our lives.

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