

# Sermon-Based Discussion

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## BIBLE PASSAGES

### Esther 6:12-13

12Then Mordecai returned to the king's gate. But Haman hurried to his house, mourning and with his head covered. 13And Haman told his wife Zeresh and all his friends everything that had happened to him. Then his wise men and his wife Zeresh said to him, "If Mordecai, before whom you have begun to fall, is of the Jewish people, you will not overcome him but will surely fall before him."

### Esther 7:1-6

1So the king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. 2And on the second day, as they were drinking wine after the feast, the king again said to Esther, "What is your wish, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." 3Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have found favor in your sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my life be granted me for my wish, and my people for my request. 4For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have been silent, for our affliction is not to be compared with the loss to the king." 5Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who has dared to do this?" 6And Esther said, "A foe and enemy! This wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen.

## Group Discussion & Life Challenge

Use these notes as discussion prompts for your group, or in your personal time with God.

### **Connect:**

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, fellowship.

Share your movie favorite plot twist.

### **Care:**

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

Pray for the situation in Ukraine

### **Challenge:**

Dive into God's Word. Use these discussion questions. Learn from each other's insight.

1. Haman was very full of himself, so much so he could not see the reality that the path he was on was leading to destruction. Are you being brutally honest with yourself about the path you are currently on? Do you need to make any changes or confess any sin issues?
2. Esther 6 & 7 are a plot twist for Haman. What plot twist moments have you experienced in your life?
3. How have you seen or experienced "God at Work" in your life, even if it seemed as if he was being silent?
4. Are you seeking wisdom and counsel from the right people?
5. The Gospel is the most important plot twist story in History, who in your life needs to hear about Jesus?

### **Clarify:**

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

### **Celebrate:**

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

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## KEY TAKEAWAYS