

Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, June 1, 2025

Scripture: Esther 9:20-10



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

God's deliverance through the finished work of Jesus Christ calls for remembrance and rejoicing while we await his return.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION *(Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)*

1. Why did Mordecai record the events of Jewish salvation and deliver the news throughout the kingdom (verse 20)? Why is it necessary for us to be reminded of God and his goodness through His Word? What practical ways can you record God's blessings in your life?
2. How are the events of Esther connected with the larger story of redemptive history in Scripture (Isaiah 57)?
3. How does realizing that we are part of God's larger story of redemption affect how you live?
4. How does the book of Esther provide the hope we need amidst the hardships of life?
5. What is the appropriate response to God's salvation as demonstrated in this text?
6. Why did they make Purim a yearly celebration? Do you plan times of remembrance, creating patterns and rhythms to help you rejoice?
7. Discuss how we are in a time of waiting like the Jewish people at the end of Esther.
8. What was Mordecai's reputation and influence as the second in command? Contrast his leadership with Haman's. What greater leader does Mordecai direct our focus to?

GOSPEL OBSERVATIONS

- The story of hope through God's sovereign deliverance in Esther foreshadows the greatest hope and deliverance found in the finished work of Jesus Christ—the Gospel.
- The Gospel is the ultimate fulfillment of God's faithfulness to His promises to preserve His people and to crush His enemies.
- The Gospel reveals the Greatest Mediator, Jesus, who works for the peace and welfare of His people.
- Communion is the Gospel celebration of Christians, helping us remember, rejoice, and wait for Jesus' return.