

# “Through the Bible: Esther 7-10”

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## I. Haman Identified as the Adversary; Haman is Punished (Esther 7)

- A. Early in Esther 7, the king repeats his wish to hear Esther’s request. She replied, “If I have found favour in thy sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my \_\_\_\_\_ be given me at my petition, and my people at my request: For we are \_\_\_\_\_, I and my people, to be \_\_\_\_\_, to be \_\_\_\_\_, and to \_\_\_\_\_. But if we had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my \_\_\_\_\_, although the enemy could not countervail the king's damage” (Est. 7:3-4).
- B. The king demanded to know who thought to do such horrible things. Who did Esther say was the adversary, and how did the adversary react (Est. 7:5-6)?  
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- C. What punishment did Harbonah propose in Est. 7:9? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- D. “So they hanged Haman on the \_\_\_\_\_ that he had prepared for \_\_\_\_\_ . Then was the king's \_\_\_\_\_ pacified” (Est. 7:10).

## II. The Jews Given Permission to Fight Back (Esther 8)

- A. What good things did the king do for Esther and Mordecai in Est. 8:1-2?  
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- B. What subject matter did Esther raise before the king in Est. 8:3-5?  
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- C. Esther concluded by saying, “For how can I \_\_\_\_\_ to see the \_\_\_\_\_ that shall come unto my people? or how can I endure to see the \_\_\_\_\_ of my \_\_\_\_\_” (Est. 8:6)?
- D. Royal permission was granted for what in Est. 8:11-12? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- E. How did the city of Shushan react to Mordecai’s promotion? What does the Bible say the Jews had (Est. 8:15-16)? \_\_\_\_\_  
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F. "And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, a feast and a \_\_\_\_\_ day. And many of the people of the land became \_\_\_\_\_; for the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Jews fell upon them" (Est. 8:17).

**III. The Jews Obtain a Massive Victory; A Memorial is Established (Esther 9-10)**

A. The \_\_\_\_\_ day of the month of \_\_\_\_\_ was approaching. It was told "no \_\_\_\_\_ could \_\_\_\_\_ them" (Est. 9:1-2). Who decided to help Mordecai and the Jews according to Est. 9:3? \_\_\_\_\_  
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B. "Thus the Jews smote all their enemies with the stroke of the \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, and did what they would unto those that \_\_\_\_\_ them" (Est. 9:5).

C. Est. 9:6-19 tell of the massive victory achieved by the Jews.  
1. In Shushan, \_\_\_\_\_ men were slain and destroyed (Est. 9:6).  
2. The ten sons of \_\_\_\_\_ were slain (Est. 9:10). Later, their bodies were " \_\_\_\_\_ upon the \_\_\_\_\_ " (Est. 9:13).  
3. Around the empire, the Jews killed \_\_\_\_\_ of their foes (Est. 9:16). What similar information can be found in Est. 9:10,15,16?  
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4. The \_\_\_\_\_ day of the month of Adar became a day of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. It was a \_\_\_\_\_ day (Est. 9:19).

D. Mordecai established which days of the month of Adar to celebrate the day when the Jews sorrow was turned to \_\_\_\_\_, and from mourning into a \_\_\_\_\_ day (Est. 9:21-22)? \_\_\_\_\_  
This holiday would come to be known as \_\_\_\_\_ (Est. 9:26).

E. In your own words, after having read Est. 9, write down the purpose and meaning of this new-found holiday. \_\_\_\_\_  
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F. This great book ends saying, "For Mordecai the Jew was \_\_\_\_\_ unto king Ahasuerus, and \_\_\_\_\_ among the Jews, and accepted of the multitude of his brethren, seeking the \_\_\_\_\_ of his people, and speaking \_\_\_\_\_ to all his seed" (Est. 10:3).