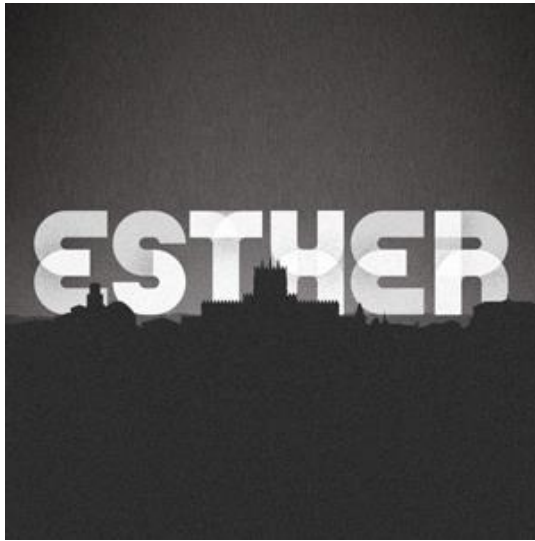


A Study Guide for August 6th



Please read Esther chapters 1 and 2 and use these notes to prepare for Sunday morning worship.

Sermon Focus: For Such A Time As This:- Rise of The Queen

- The story of Esther tells of a hopeful time for the Jews in their history.
- How might the story offer hope to us today?

“This book shows the workings of God to save the nation of Israel. Did God allow Esther to become an orphan so that she might be raised more carefully by her Uncle Mordecai? Did God give Esther unusual poise, beauty, grace and dignity so that she would win a beauty contest and become the wife of a divorced man? Could it be that if we read the last chapter of the book of Esther we will see that God’s intent is much bigger than a girl named Esther? Is this true in our own lives? Esther’s character was such that she played her part in a noble manner regardless of what was asked of her and without understanding the full scope of her part. Could the same be said of you?”

–Debi Pearl

