

## Lesson 5

### *Awesome Women of the Bible: Esther*

1. Esther 1

Who was The King of Persia and the name of his queen during the time of Esther?

2. What happened to the queen of Persia and why did it happen?

3. Why didn't the queen of Persia submit to the King's request? Proverbs 11:2

4. Esther 2: 1 – 4

What did the King's personal attendants propose for the King to do?  
What were the requirements for the girls who were chosen?

5. Esther 2:5 – 11

Who was Esther related to and what nationality was Esther?  
Did anyone know about her nationality?  
Why was this a secret?

6. What things would have to be done to Esther before she could see the King?  
Should all woman be required to do this process before they get married?
  
7. When Esther saw the King, what was the King's response?
  
8. What did Mordecai do to help the King?  
Esther 2: 21 – 23
  
9. Esther 3  
Why did Mordecai not pay honor to Haman? Psalms 1: 1 – 3
  
10. What did Haman do in response to Mordecai's lack of respect for him?  
Esther 3: 8 – 11
  
11. The Jewish people have always been threatened by one nation or another,  
why do you think that is?

12. Read Esther 4

How did Mordecai react to the death sentence for all the Jews in King Xerxes kingdom?

13. How did Mordecai advise Esther?

What was Esther's concern? Esther 4: 15 – 17

Why was fasting so important this moment? Matthew 4: 2

What was Esther's plan to stop Haman?

14. What did Haman build because of his hate for Mordecai? Esther 5: 14

15. What did King Xerxes do to honor Mordecai? Esther 6: 1 – 11

16. Does this instruct us on what can happen if we don't learn to forgive and let offense go? Matthew 6: 14 – 15

17. How did Esther handle his request to have the King save her people? Esther  
7: 1 – 10

18. What do you admire about Esther and Mordecai?

19. Compare the arrogance of Haman to the humility of Esther and Mordecai?