



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

***The Story* is a chronological study of the Bible designed to help us discover God's amazing plan of salvation in Jesus Christ. This week we take a look at the remarkable story of Esther.**

1. Share something memorable that happened over the Christmas and New Year's break.
2. Watch this short video by The Bible Project, *Esther*, on RightNow Media in the River City Christian library. What does this story teach us about God's sovereignty in all of history?

Read Esther 4:12-16.

3. Mordecai challenged Esther to remember that she had a specific purpose from the Lord. She responded courageously, trusting in God to live significantly. How does this remind you to pursue godly success?

Read 1 Peter 2:9-10.

4. Jesse emphasized that we must remember who we are and our purpose as Christians, "to go to heaven and take as many people with us as possible." That is why at River City we emphasize the importance of living intentionally in our "other places" (places we naturally exist with non-believers). What is your other place? What are you currently doing to build relationships with those in your other place?

Read Philippians 3:7-10.

5. We all have different gifts, talents, abilities and passions that we can use to build relationships with non-believers. What are you passionate about? How can you use these passions to impact people in your other places?

PARENTS:

Talk with your kids about what it means to live for God. Have them give examples of what that would look like in their own lives.



The Queen of Beauty and Courage

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Principles in being a difference maker.

1. It's time to remember who you are.

2. It's time to share the Gospel with intent.

3. It's time to risk what God has given us, to do what God has called us to do.

For Next Week: Read Chapter 21 of *The Story*