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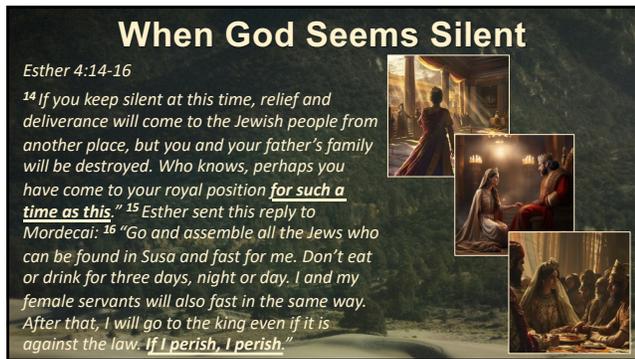
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## When God Seems Silent

Esther 7:3-7

<sup>3</sup> Queen Esther answered, "If I have found favor with you, Your Majesty, and if the king is pleased, spare my life; this is my request. And spare my people; this is my desire. <sup>4</sup> For my people and I have been sold to destruction, death, and annihilation. If we had merely been sold as male and female slaves, I would have kept silent. Indeed, the trouble wouldn't be worth burdening the king." <sup>5</sup> King Ahasuerus spoke up and asked Queen Esther, "Who is this, and where is the one who would devise such a scheme?" <sup>6</sup> Esther answered, "The adversary and enemy is this evil Haman." Haman stood terrified before the king and queen. <sup>7</sup> The king arose in anger and went from where they were drinking wine to the palace garden. Haman remained to beg Queen Esther for his life because he realized the king was planning something terrible for him.

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## When God Seems Silent

### The Life Lessons

#### God's Purpose Is Always Present

Esther 2:17

The king loved Esther more than all the other women. She won more favor and approval from him than did any of the other virgins. He placed the royal crown on her head and made her queen in place of Vashti.



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### The Life Lessons

#### God's People Are Called to Be Courageous



Esther 4:14

Who knows, perhaps you have come to your royal position for such a time as this.

Esther 4:16

I will go to the king even if it is against the law. If I perish, I perish.

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## When God Seems Silent

### The Life Lessons

#### God's Plan Always Prevails

Esther 9:1

On the day when the Jews' enemies had hoped to overpower them, just the opposite happened. The Jews overpowered those who hated them.



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## When God Seems Silent

### Esther Risked Her Life to Save Her People Jesus Gave His Life to Save You



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