



## *Esther: Queen For Such A Time As This.*

Wednesday June 1, 2016

Lesson Nine:

### **A Remembrance Initiated (Esther 9:20-22)**

1. Who was it that wrote letters? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who were the recipients of the letters? \_\_\_\_\_
3. When was the celebration to be? \_\_\_\_\_
4. The remembrance:
  - a. The Jews had rest from their \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Sorrow was turned to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. Mourning was turned to a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - d. The activities:
    - i. Days of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
    - ii. Sending of \_\_\_\_\_ to one another.
    - iii. Gifts were given to the \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Ongoing Celebration of Purim (Esther 9:23-28)**

1. This was accepted as a \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Notice how the events of this book are reviewed.
  3. What is the origination of the name "purim"? \_\_\_\_\_
  4. The Jews \_\_\_\_\_ this upon themselves and their descendants.
  5. Purim would be observed according to \_\_\_\_\_ instructions and according to the \_\_\_\_\_ time.
  6. Who would keep the holiday of Purim? \_\_\_\_\_
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### Letters Sent (Esther 9:29-32)

1. Who authorized these letters that Esther and Mordecai sent? \_\_\_\_\_
2. These letters were considered words of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. These things were decreed for themselves concerning matters of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Verse 32 refers to this as the decree of \_\_\_\_\_.
5. What book was it written in? \_\_\_\_\_

### Mordecai's Status (Esther 10:1-3)

1. What is tribute? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Why is this tribute of Ahasuerus mentioned? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Mordecai:
  - a. It mentions the \_\_\_\_\_ of Mordecai.
  - b. The king \_\_\_\_\_ Mordecai to this position.
  - c. Mordecai was \_\_\_\_\_ to King Ahasuerus.
  - d. He was \_\_\_\_\_ among the Jews.
  - e. He was well \_\_\_\_\_ by his brethren.
  - f. He sought \_\_\_\_\_.
  - g. He spoke \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Where did secular history record the greatness of Mordecai?  
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### Discussion Questions:

1. What kinds of things do we celebrate today?
2. Do we participate in any remembrances of great things God has done?
3. Is it important to remember the poor during times of celebration? Why?
4. Why was it important for generations far removed from these activities to remember Purim?
5. What things did Mordecai do that resulted in his rise to greatness?