
Date: April 7, 2024 **Message:** Even in a Place Like That

Series: Esther: Sovereignty in Silence **Scripture:** Esther 1

The darkness of Xerxes' kingdom:

Where is God in a godless, hopeless situation?

The one for whom Xerxes makes us long:

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Esther 1

1. When have you witnessed a situation that appeared too dark and twisted for God to use for any kind of good, but later saw something beautiful come out of it?
2. Where are you tempted to believe God could not be at work today?
3. Why do you believe God sometimes works very visibly and obviously while other times, He works silently, behind the scenes, through situations that are anything but godly?
4. When have you seen Xerxes-type leaders? When have you seen Christlike leaders? What difference did it make?
5. What aspects of Xerxes' dark kingdom remind you of darkness in your own life? What needs to change?
6. In what ways have you seen Christ rescue you out of various kinds of darkness in the past? How did He do it? Do you believe He will continue to use similar means to refine your holiness in the future? Why or why not?