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Part 4: Destiny Moments

Esther 4:14 (ESV)-"...relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews..."

REVIEW

When we stand up for what is right it is...
Often Overlooked: Do right regardless of recognition.
Often Lonely: Do right regardless of support.
Often Pressured: Do right regardless of pressure.
Often Tested: Do right regardless of audience.
Often Opposed: Do right regardless of opposition.
Often Difficult: Do right regardless of consequence.

Timeline: King dismisses Vashti (3rd year), Esther made queen (7th year), Eunuch's Plot (7th year), Haman's Plot (12th year)

Notes:

To Thrive For the Kingdom... 1. WE NEED <u>TRUTH TELLERS</u>

Esther 4:7-8 (ESV)- and <u>Mordecai told him all that had happened</u> to him, and the exact sum of money that Haman had promised to pay into the king's treasuries for the destruction of the Jews. Mordecai <u>also gave him a copy of the written decree</u> issued in Susa for their destruction, that he might show it to Esther and explain it to her and command her to go to the king to beg his favor and plead with him on behalf of her people.

Sometimes we need to be a truth teller...with love and facts.

2. WE NEED KINGDOM FOCUS

Esther 4:13-14 (ESV)- Then Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, "Do not think to yourself that in the king's palace you will escape any more than all the other Jews. For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. And <u>who knows whether you have not</u> <u>come to the kingdom for such a time as this?</u>

You are part of a grand story...your placement has a purpose.

3. WE NEED GODLY SUPPORT

Esther 4:15-16 (ESV)- Then Esther told them to reply to Mordecai, "Go, <u>gather all the Jews</u> to be found in Susa, and <u>hold a fast on my</u> <u>behalf</u>, and do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my young women will also fast as you do.

Gather others together...call upon God for His wisdom and power.

4. WE NEED <u>COURAGEOUS</u> <u>COMMITMENT</u>

Esther 4:16-5:1 (ESV)- Then I will go to the king, though it is against the law, and if I perish, I perish."...On the third day Esther put on her royal robes and stood in the inner court of the king's palace...

Kingdom moments are rarely easy...they require a risk of faith.

What opportunity has God placed before me?

<u>Here Is The Point:</u> Our lives are about God's Kingdom and Glory!