

Discussion Guide

Discussion Guides accompany the [weekly message](#).

Opening Activity:

Think about a time when comfort, routine, or safety made it harder for you to do the right thing. What made it difficult to step out?

Read:

Esther 4:1-17

Esther 5:1-2

Esther 7:1-6

Ephesians 2:10

Discussion Questions:

1. Esther's life looked comfortable from the outside, but her comfort was interrupted by a crisis. Why do you think comfort can sometimes make us less aware of what is happening around us?
2. The sermon described Esther as the "Queen of Comfort" before she became the "Queen of Courage." Where do you see the tension between comfort and courage in everyday life?
3. Mordecai told Esther not to assume she would be safe just because she was in the palace. What are some "palaces" people trust in today for safety, security, or control?
4. Esther had position, access, and influence, but using them required risk. What has God placed in your life that may be useful for someone else's good?
5. Mordecai's question, "Who knows if perhaps you were made queen for just such a time as this?" invites Esther to see her life through God's bigger story. How does that question challenge the way you view your current season?
6. Esther did not rush into action. She called her people to fast before she stepped forward. What does this teach us about the relationship between courage, prayer, and preparation?
7. Honestly answer this question: Where are you living in comfort instead of courage?
8. Esther's courage was not just a feeling; it became action. What is the difference between admiring courage and actually choosing it?
9. Esther risked her position and her life to advocate for her people. Where might God be asking believers today to use their voice, influence, or resources for someone else?
10. The sermon asked, "Is this your time?" What would it look like for you to take that question seriously this week?

Challenge for the Week:

Identify one area where comfort may be keeping you from courage. Pray about it honestly, and then take one faithful step this week. It could be a conversation, an act of generosity, a decision to serve, a step of obedience, or a willingness to speak up for someone else. Ask God to help you see where He has placed you "for such a time as this."

