

**WELCOME!** This morning we're continuing a summer study of faithful examples in Scripture who modeled a life of faith, chose to act upon God's direction, and trusted in His provision. Each week, we'll look at a different person and discover how their story can help shape us today. Thank you for joining us in worship!

## **Participate**

WORSHIP WITH US THROUGH ORDINANCES AND TRADITIONS

- » **Believer's Baptism, Today:** Proclaim your faith to your church family and follow Jesus in the practice of water baptism. *Sign up in Church Center if you'd like to be baptized during a worship service.*
- » **LORD'S SUPPER, NEXT WEEK:** Share in the bread and cup that symbolize our unity through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. *Gluten-free servings are available at the back of the room for those who need them.*
- » **CHILD DEDICATION, JULY 13:** Parents, commit your children to the Lord as we welcome them into our community. *Sign up in Church Center if your family would like to dedicate a child during a worship service.*
- » GIVE AT ANY TIME: Financial giving in Grace Church is an act of worship to be done freely, joyously, and only as prompted by the Lord. Gifts can be made at any offering box or online through Church Center.

## Bible Study ESTHER

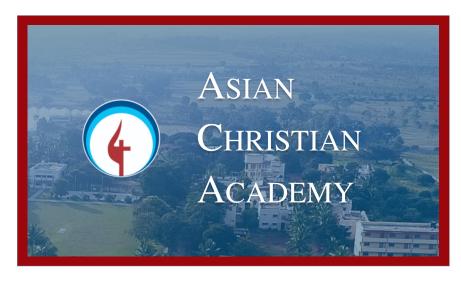
- Overview
  - » Even when God feels absent, he is always working.
  - » Esther and Mordecai model trust and hope, even when life seems hopeless.
- II. A New Queen Esther 1:17–19
- III. A Royal Annihilation Esther 3:12–15
- IV. A Time for Lament Esther 4:1–3
- v. A Response of Faith Esther 4:12–17
- vi. A Reversal of the Story Esther 8:1–2
- vII. A Commitment to Remember Esther 9:26–28

Notes	CAPTURE YOUR THOUGHTS IN THE SPACE BELOW

## **Takeaways**

PROMPTS TO CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND APPLY WHAT YOU'VE HEARD THIS MORNING

- » Have you ever felt like God wasn't at work?
- » How are lamenting and faith connected?
- » What aspects of God's character give you hope?
- » When is a specific time that you've seen God's faithfulness?
- » How can you intentionally remember God's provision?
- When has a small step of trust built up your faith in God?



Next Sunday we welcome Dr. Stephen George of Asian Christian Academy as he shares present-day stories of faith from southern India. ACA is a long-standing global ministry partner of Grace Church. Growing out of a conversation between Dallas Seminary classmates in the 1970's, the vision of ACA continues to expand into new opportunities as the Lord opens doors. Their current ministries include:

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- AGAPE MEDICAL HOSPITAL
- CHILDHOOD AUTISM CENTER

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