



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.*

I. 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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- » **CHRISTIAN K-12 SCHOOL AND STUDENT HOSTEL**
- » **AGAPE MEDICAL HOSPITAL**
- » **CHILDHOOD AUTISM CENTER**

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WHERE TO GET ANSWERS
AND FIND INFORMATION

WELCOME CENTER: Stop by and talk with us this morning

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