



## **Sermon Discussion Guide**

### **July 10, 2022**

#### **Refresh**

Read Esther 4:1-17 to get the Scripture passage back in your mind.

#### **Discuss**

Have you ever had a day where everything in your life changed?

At the beginning of chapter 4, we find Mordecai lamenting. How has lamenting been part of your Christian experience?

How does Genesis 12:1-3 help explain Mordecai's words in verse 14?

Talk about Mordecai's two approaches to Esther; first, he commands her (8), and then he gives her truths to contemplate (13-14). Talk about the wisdom of this approach and its various applications (i.e., parenting).

What do you think brought about the change in Esther between verses 14 and 15?

Why is sacrifice so attractive and compelling?