

## **Outline: The Book of Esther**

- I. The Obstinate Wife (1)**
- II. The Beautiful Wife (2)**
- III. Haman's Plot to Destroy the Jews (3)**
- IV. For Such a Time as This (4)**
- V. The Graceful Request (5)**
- VI. A Restless King (6)**
- VII. The Impaling of Haman (7)**
- VIII. The King Offers Hope (8)**
- IX. The Feast of Purim Instituted (9-10)**

### **Discussion Questions: Esther**

1. Is there any significance in Vashti's obstinance and the King's response?
2. Why did the King choose Esther to be his bride, and how does this choice impact the Jews?
3. What does Mordecai mean that Esther was made "for such a time as this"? Is there an application here for you and me?
4. How does Haman's actions and demise demonstrate the truth taught in Galatians 6:7?
5. What is significant about the King's new royal decree?

6. What is significant about the institution of the Feast of Purim, and how can this influence us today?