

Rescuing The Perishing Proverbs 24:11&12 ¹¹⁻¹²

Rescue those who are unjustly sentenced to death; don't stand back and let them die. Don't try to disclaim responsibility by saying you didn't know about it. For God, who knows all hearts, knows yours, and he knows you knew! And he will reward everyone according to his deeds. (The Living Bible Translation)

Esther - At this point here is a decree set forth by the King who was manipulated by Haman who hated one Jew so wanted all of them dead. (Moses) (Jesus)

4 When Mordecai perceived all that was done, Mordecai rent his clothes, and put on sackcloth with ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and cried with a loud and a bitter cry;

1.. When Mordecai perceived , understood the implications of the decree, He rent his clothes and put on sackcloth and ashes and wept before the Lord What you can't perceive you can't weep over, nor moved to humble yourself before the Lord. (peter)

2 And came even before the king's gate: for none might enter into the king's gate clothed with sackcloth.

1... Mordecai did not go to the sanctuary he went to protest the grave injustice of an unjust sentence against his people

3 And in every province, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, there was great mourning among the Jews, and fasting, and weeping, and wailing; and many lay in sackcloth and ashes.

1... Not only Mordecai but the people perceived the implications of "Genocide" against their people and invoke- 2 Chronicles 7-14

4 So Esther's maids and her chamberlains came and told it her. Then was the queen exceedingly grieved; and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take away his sackcloth from him: but he received it not. 1.... Esther felt safe therefore felt no need to mourn for her nation but was grieved over uncle. 2... it doesn't take all that and you are embarrassing me. 3... Put these garments on (those garments can't get me where I want to go)

5 Then called Esther for Hatach, one of the king's chamberlains, whom he had appointed to attend upon her, and gave him a commandment to Mordecai, to know what it was, and why it was.⁶ So Hatach went forth to Mordecai unto the street of the city, which was before the king's gate.⁷ And Mordecai told him of all

that had happened unto him, and of the sum of the money that Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasuries for the Jews, to destroy them. ⁸ Also he gave him the copy of the writing of the decree that was given at Shushan to destroy them, to shew it unto Esther, and to declare it unto her, and to charge her that she should go in unto the king, to make supplication unto him, and to make request before him for her people.⁹ And Hatach came and told Esther the words of Mordecai.¹⁰ Again Esther spake unto Hatach, and gave him commandment unto Mordecai;

1.... Mordecai realized what the plan was when she offered him to change his garment. He realized she did not have hers on. He realized she was in position to bring about a deliverance by divine providence. I need you to stand up and say something

¹¹ All the king's servants, and the people of the king's provinces, do know, that whosoever, whether man or women, shall come unto the king into the inner court, who is not called, there is one law of his to put him to death, except such to whom the king shall hold out the golden scepter, that he may live: but I have not been called to come in unto the king these thirty days.¹² And they told to Mordecai Esther's words.

Divine law supersedes the human law she was quoting as her excuse for not interceding.

¹³ Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther, Think not with thyself that thou shalt escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews.¹⁴ For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, then shall there enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?

- 1.... Her mentor doesn't ask but commands- not optional
- 2.....He perceives her real issue in her reluctance to intervene
- 3..... She too was looking for a ministry of convenience
- 4..... She literally is being asked to lay her life down for her friends

¹⁵ Then Esther bade them return Mordecai this answer,

¹⁶ Go, gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise; and so will I go in unto the king, which is not according to the law: and if I perish, I perish.

- 1.... I will take off these garments and you will put on yours.
- 2..... I need those who help me put it on also

3... I will stand up for my people

4... Attitude? If I perish I perish

5... They all have the garments of sacrifice, humility, service, Watch This

6 On that night could not the king sleep, and he commanded to bring the book of records of the chronicles; and they were read before the king. 7 And Haman answered the king, For the man whom the king delighteth to honor,

1... while Mordecai is in sackcloth and ashes the King has made up his mind how to bless him.

⁸Let the royal apparel be brought which the king useth to wear, and the horse that the king rideth upon, and the crown royal which is set upon his head:

⁹And let this apparel and horse be delivered to the hand of one of the king's most noble princes, that they may array the man withal whom the king delighteth to honor, and bring him on horseback through the street of the city, and proclaim before him, Thus shall it be done to the man whom the king delighteth to honor.

1... Now Mordecai is clothed in the kings garments 2... He's not walking he's on the Kings horse 3. Humble yourself you shall be exalted

2... The more you pray, strip yourself, deny yourself, say no to the flesh, you get to look more like the King.

¹³And Haman told Zeresh his wife and all his friends every thing that had befallen him. Then said his wise men and Zeresh his wife unto him, If Mordecai be of the seed of the Jews, **before whom thou hast begun to fall, thou shalt not prevail against him, but shalt surely fall before him.** 1... you are the seed of Abraham 2... Haman enemy of the Jews you are beginning to fall 3... All your schemes and machinations will not work 4... You will not prevail against him!

There was a decree of death over mankind the worst genocide ever everyman ever born will die but God had a plan. "On This Rock I Will Build My Church and The Gates Of Hell Shall Not Prevail Against Them"