

# The Feast of Purim Pt. 2

Additions of Esther 15:1-16

(15:1) And upon the third day, when she had ended her prayers, she laid away her mourning garments, and put on her glorious apparel.

(15:2) And being gloriously adorned, after she had called upon Alahayim, who is the beholder and saviour of all things, she took two maids with her:

(15:3) And upon the one she leaned, as carrying herself daintily;

(15:4) And the other followed, bearing up her train.

(15:5) And she was ruddy through the perfection of her beauty, and her countenance was cheerful and very amiable: but her heart was in anguish for fear.

(15:6) Then having passed through all the doors, she stood before the king, who sat upon his royal throne, and was clothed with all his robes of majesty, all glittering with gold and precious stones; and he was very dreadful.

(15:7) Then lifting up his countenance that shone with majesty, he looked very fiercely upon her: and the queen fell down, and was pale, and fainted, and bowed herself upon the head of the maid that went before her.

(15:8) Then Alahayim changed the spirit of the king into mildness, who in a fear leaped from his throne, and took her in his arms, till she came to herself again, and comforted her with loving words and said unto her,

(15:9) Esther, what is the matter? I am thy brother, be of good cheer:

(15:10) Thou shalt not die, though our commandment be general: come near.

(15:11) And so he held up his golden sceptre, and laid it upon her neck,

(15:12) And embraced her, and said, Speak unto me.

(15:13) Then said she unto him, I saw thee, my lord, as an angel of Alahayim, and my heart was troubled for fear of thy majesty.

(15:14) For wonderful art thou, lord, and thy countenance is full of grace.

(15:15) And as she was speaking, she fell down for faintness.

(15:16) Then the king was troubled, and all his servants comforted her.

- **Est 5:3-14**

**Est 5:3**

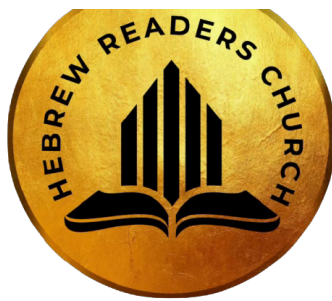
Then said the king unto her, What wilt thou, queen Esther? and what *is* thy request? it shall be even given thee to the half of the kingdom.

**Est 5:4**

And Esther answered, If *it seem* good unto the king, let the king and Haman come this day unto the banquet that I have prepared for him.

**Est 5:5**

Then the king said, Cause Haman to make haste, that he may do as Esther hath said. So the king and Haman came to the banquet that Esther had prepared.



**Est 5:6**

And the king said unto Esther at the banquet of wine, What is thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: and what is thy request? even to the half of the kingdom it shall be performed.

**Est 5:7**

Then answered Esther, and said, My petition and my request is;

**Est 5:8**

If I have found favour in the sight of the king, and if it please the king to grant my petition, and to perform my request, let the king and Haman come to the banquet that I shall prepare for them, and I will do to morrow as the king hath said.

**Est 5:9**

Then went Haman forth that day joyful and with a glad heart: but when Haman saw Mordecai in the king's gate, that he stood not up, nor moved for him, he was full of indignation against Mordecai.

**Est 5:10**

Nevertheless Haman refrained himself: and when he came home, he sent and called for his friends, and Zeresh his wife.

**Est 5:11**

And Haman told them of the glory of his riches, and the multitude of his children, and all *the things* wherein the king had promoted him, and how he had advanced him above the princes and servants of the king.

**Est 5:12**

Haman said moreover, Yea, Esther the queen did let no man come in with the king unto the banquet that she had prepared but myself; and to morrow am I invited unto her also with the king.

**Est 5:13**

Yet all this availeth me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king's gate.

**Est 5:14**

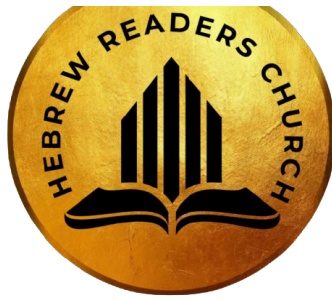
Then said Zeresh his wife and all his friends unto him, Let a gallows be made of fifty cubits high, and to morrow speak thou unto the king that Mordecai may be hanged thereon: then go thou in merrily with the king unto the banquet. And the thing pleased Haman; and he caused the gallows to be made.

**Esther 6:1**

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.

**Esther 6:2**

And it was found written, that Mordecai had told of Bigthana and Teresh, two of the king's chamberlains, the keepers of the door, who sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus.



Esther 6:3

And the king said, What honour and dignity hath been done to Mordecai for this? Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, There is nothing done for him.

Esther 6:4

And the king said, Who is in the court? Now Haman was come into the outward court of the king's house, to speak unto the king to hang Mordecai on the gallows that he had prepared for him.

Esther 6:5

And the king's servants said unto him, Behold, Haman standeth in the court. And the king said, Let him come in.

Esther 6:6

So Haman came in. And the king said unto him, What shall be done unto the man whom the king delighteth to honour? Now Haman thought in his heart, To whom would the king delight to do honour more than to myself?

Esther 6:7

And Haman answered the king, For the man whom the king delighteth to honour,

Esther 6:8

Let 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:

Esther 6:9

And 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 honour, 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 honour.

Esther 6:10

Then the king said to Haman, Make haste, and take the apparel and the horse, as thou hast said, and do even so to Mordecai the Jew, that sitteth at the king's gate: let nothing fail of all that thou hast spoken.

Esther 6:11

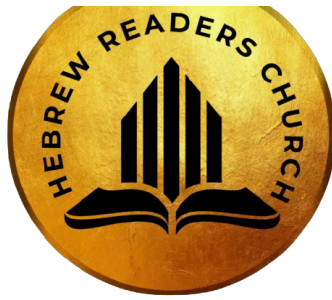
Then took Haman the apparel and the horse, and arrayed Mordecai, and brought him on horseback through the street of the city, and proclaimed before him, Thus shall it be done unto the man whom the king delighteth to honour.

Esther 6:12

And Mordecai came again to the king's gate. But Haman hastened to his house mourning, and having his head covered.

Esther 6:13

And 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.

Esther 6:14

And while they were yet talking with him, came the king's chamberlains, and hasted to bring Haman unto the banquet that Esther had prepared.

**Est 7:1**

So the king and Haman came to banquet with Esther the queen.

**Est 7:2**

And the king said again unto Esther on the second day at the banquet of wine, What is thy petition, queen Esther? and it shall be granted thee: and what is thy request? and it shall be performed, *even* to the half of the kingdom.

**Est 7:3**

Then Esther the queen answered and said, If I have found favour in thy sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my life be given me at my petition, and my people at my request:

**Est 7:4**

For we are sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be slain, and to perish. But if we had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my tongue, although the enemy could not countervail the king's damage.

**Est 7:5**

Then the king Ahasuerus answered and said unto Esther the queen, Who is he, and where is he, that durst presume in his heart to do so?

**Est 7:6**

And Esther said, The adversary and enemy *is* this wicked Haman. Then Haman was afraid before the king and the queen.

**Est 7:7**

And the king arising from the banquet of wine in his wrath *went* into the palace garden: and Haman stood up to make request for his life to Esther the queen; for he saw that there was evil determined against him by the king.

**Est 7:8** Then the king returned out of the palace garden into the place of the banquet of wine; and Haman was fallen upon the bed whereon Esther *was*. Then said the king, Will he force the queen also before me in the house? As the word went out of the king's mouth, they covered Haman's face.

**Est 7:9** And Harbonah, one of the chamberlains, said before the king, Behold also, the gallows fifty cubits high, which Haman had made for Mordecai, who had spoken good for the king, standeth in the house of Haman. Then the king said, Hang him thereon.

**Est 7:10** So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then was the king's wrath pacified.

**Job 4:8**



Even as I have seen, they that plow iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap the same.

**Pro 22:8**

He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his anger shall fail.

**Levi 13: 5-6**

5 Work righteousness, therefore, my children, upon the earth, That ye may have (it) as a treasure in heaven. 6 And sow good things in your souls, That ye may find them in your life. But if ye sow evil things, Ye shall reap every trouble and affliction.

**Gal 6:7**

Be not deceived; Alahayim is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

**Gal 6:8**

For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

**Gal 6:9**

And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

**Est 8:1**

On that day did the king Ahasuerus give the house of Haman the Jews' enemy unto Esther the queen. And Mordecai came before the king; for Esther had told what he *was* unto her.

**Est 8:2**

And the king took off his ring, which he had taken from Haman, and gave it unto Mordecai. And Esther set Mordecai over the house of Haman.

**Est 8:3**

And Esther spake yet again before the king, and fell down at his feet, and besought him with tears to put away the mischief of Haman the Agagite, and his device that he had devised against the Jews.

**Est 8:4**

Then the king held out the golden sceptre toward Esther. So Esther arose, and stood before the king,

**Est 8:5**

And said, If it please the king, and if I have found favour in his sight, and the thing *seem* right before the king, and I *be* pleasing in his eyes, let it be written to reverse the letters devised by Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, which he wrote to destroy the Jews which *are* in all the king's provinces:

**Est 8:6**

For how can I endure to see the evil that shall come unto my people? or how can I endure to see the destruction of my kindred?



**Est 8:7**

Then the king Ahasuerus said unto Esther the queen and to Mordecai the Jew, Behold, I have given Esther the house of Haman, and him they have hanged upon the gallows, because he laid his hand upon the Jews.

**Est 8:8**

Write ye also for the Jews, as it liketh you, in the king's name, and seal *it* with the king's ring: for the writing which is written in the king's name, and sealed with the king's ring, may no man reverse.

(16:1) The great king Artexerxes unto the princes and governors of an hundred and seven and twenty provinces from India unto Ethiopia, and unto all our faithful subjects, greeting.

(16:2) Many, the more often they are honoured with the great bounty of their gracious princes, the more proud they are waxen,

(16:3) And endeavour to hurt not our subjects only, but not being able to bear abundance, do take in hand to practise also against those that do them good:

(16:4) And take not only thankfulness away from among men, but also lifted up with the glorious words of lewd persons, that were never good, they think to escape the justice of Alahayim, that seeth all things and hateth evil.

(16:5) Oftentimes also fair speech of those, that are put in trust to manage their friends' affairs, hath caused many that are in authority to be partakers of innocent blood, and hath enwrapped them in remediless calamities:

(16:6) Beguiling with the falsehood and deceit of their lewd disposition the innocency and goodness of princes.

(16:7) Now ye may see this, as we have declared, not so much by ancient histories, as ye may, if ye search what hath been wickedly done of late through the pestilent behaviour of them that are unworthily placed in authority.

(16:8) And we must take care for the time to come, that our kingdom may be quiet and peaceable for all men,

(16:9) Both by changing our purposes, and always judging things that are evident with more equal proceeding.

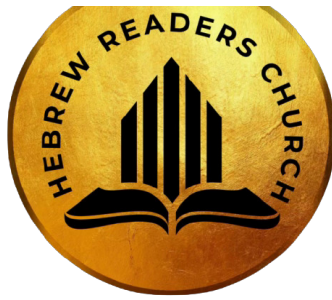
(16:10) For Aman, a Macedonian, the son of Amadatha, being indeed a stranger from the Persian blood, and far distant from our goodness, and as a stranger received of us,

(16:11) Had so far forth obtained the favour that we shew toward every nation, as that he was called our father, and was continually honoured of all the next person unto the king.

(16:12) But he, not bearing his great dignity, went about to deprive us of our kingdom and life:

(16:13) Having by manifold and cunning deceits sought of us the destruction, as well of Mardocheus, who saved our life, and continually procured our good, as also of blameless Esther, partaker of our kingdom, with their whole nation.





(16:14) For by these means he thought, finding us destitute of friends to have translated the kingdom of the Persians to the Macedonians.

(16:15) But we find that the Jews, whom this wicked wretch hath delivered to utter destruction, are no evildoers, but live by most just laws:

(16:16) And that they be children of the most high and most mighty, living Alahayim, who hath ordered the kingdom both unto us and to our progenitors in the most excellent manner.

(16:17) Wherefore ye shall do well not to put in execution the letters sent unto you by Aman the son of Amadatha.

(16:18) For he that was the worker of these things, is hanged at the gates of Susa with all his family: Alahayim, who ruleth all things, speedily rendering vengeance to him according to his deserts.

(16:19) Therefore ye shall publish the copy of this letter in all places, that the Jews may freely live after their own laws.

(16:20) And ye shall aid them, that even the same day, being the thirteenth day of the twelfth month Adar, they may be avenged on them, who in the time of their affliction shall set upon them.

(16:21) For Almighty Alahayim hath turned to joy unto them the day, wherein the chosen people should have perished.

(16:22) Ye shall therefore among your solemn feasts keep it an high day with all feasting:

(16:23) That both now and hereafter there may be safety to us and the well affected Persians; but to those which do conspire against us a memorial of destruction.

(16:24) Therefore every city and country whatsoever, which shall not do according to these things, shall be destroyed without mercy with fire and sword, and shall be made not only unpassable for men, but also most hateful to wild beasts and fowls for ever.

### **Est 8:15**

And Mordecai went out from the presence of the king in royal apparel of blue and white, and with a great crown of gold, and with a garment of fine linen and purple: and the city of Shushan rejoiced and was glad.

### **Est 8:16**

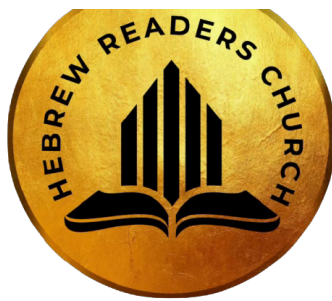
The Jews had light, and gladness, and joy, and honour.

### **Est 8:17**

And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had joy and gladness, a feast and a good day. And many of the people of the land became Jews; for the fear of the Jews fell upon them.

### **Est 9:1**

Now in the twelfth month, that is, the month Adar, on the thirteenth day of the same, when the king's commandment and his decree drew near to be put in execution, in the



day that the enemies of the Jews hoped to have power over them, (though it was turned to the contrary, that the Jews had rule over them that hated them;)

**Est 9:2**

The Jews gathered themselves together in their cities throughout all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, to lay hand on such as sought their hurt: and no man could withstand them; for the fear of them fell upon all people.

**Est 9:3**

And all the rulers of the provinces, and the lieutenants, and the deputies, and officers of the king, helped the Jews; because the fear of Mordecai fell upon them.

**Est 9:4**

For Mordecai *was* great in the king's house, and his fame went out throughout all the provinces: for this man Mordecai waxed greater and greater.

**Est 9:5**

Thus the Jews smote all their enemies with the stroke of the sword, and slaughter, and destruction, and did what they would unto those that hated them.

**Est 9:17**

On the thirteenth day of the month Adar; and on the fourteenth day of the same rested they, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.

**Est 9:20**

And Mordecai wrote these things, and sent letters unto all the Jews that *were* in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, *both* nigh and far,

**Est 9:21**

To stablish *this* among them, that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar, and the fifteenth day of the same, yearly,

**Est 9:22**

As the days wherein the Jews rested from their enemies, and the month which was turned unto them from sorrow to joy, and from mourning into a good day: that they should make them days of feasting and joy, and of sending portions one to another, and gifts to the poor.

**Est 9:23**

And the Jews undertook to do as they had begun, and as Mordecai had written unto them;

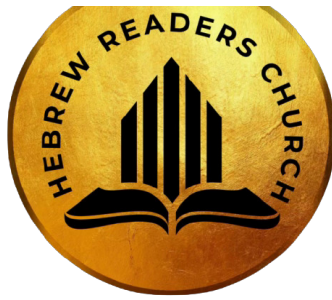
**Est 9:24**

Because Haman the son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, the enemy of all the Jews, had devised against the Jews to destroy them, and had cast Pur, that *is*, the lot, to consume them, and to destroy them;

**Est 9:25**

But when *Esther* came before the king, he commanded by letters that his wicked device, which he devised against the Jews, should return upon his own head, and that he and his sons should be hanged on the gallows.





**Est 9:26**

Wherefore they called these days Purim after the name of Pur. Therefore for all the words of this letter, and *of that* which they had seen concerning this matter, and which had come unto them,

**Est 9:27**

The Jews ordained, and took upon them, and upon their seed, and upon all such as joined themselves unto them, so as it should not fail, that they would keep these two days according to their writing, and according to their *appointed* time every year;

**Est 9:28**

And *that* these days *should be* remembered and kept throughout every generation, every family, every province, and every city; and *that* these days of Purim should not fail from among the Jews, nor the memorial of them perish from their seed.

**Est 9:29**

Then Esther the queen, the daughter of Abihail, and Mordecai the Jew, wrote with all authority, to confirm this second letter of Purim.

**Est 9:30**

And he sent the letters unto all the Jews, to the hundred twenty and seven provinces of the kingdom of Ahasuerus, *with* words of peace and truth,

**Est 9:31**

To confirm these days of Purim in their times *appointed*, according as Mordecai the Jew and Esther the queen had enjoined them, and as they had decreed for themselves and for their seed, the matters of the fastings and their cry.

**Est 9:32**

And the decree of Esther confirmed these matters of Purim; and it was written in the book.

**Est 10:1**

And the king Ahasuerus laid a tribute upon the land, and *upon* the isles of the sea.

**Est 10:2**

And all the acts of his power and of his might, and the declaration of the greatness of Mordecai, whereunto the king advanced him, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Media and Persia?

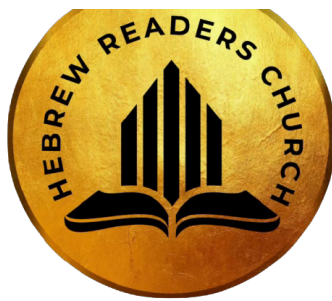
**Est 10:3**

For Mordecai the Jew *was* next unto king Ahasuerus, and great among the Jews, and accepted of the multitude of his brethren, seeking the wealth of his people, and speaking peace to all his seed.

(10:4)

Then Mardocheus said, Alahayim hath done these things.

(10:5) For I remember a dream which I saw concerning these matters, and nothing thereof hath failed.



(10:6) A little fountain became a river, and there was light, and the sun, and much water: this river is Esther, whom the king married, and made queen:

(10:7) And the two dragons are I and Aman.

(10:8) And the nations were those that were assembled to destroy the name of the Jews:

(10:9) And my nation is this Israel, which cried to Alahayim, and were saved: for AHAYAH hath saved his people, and AHAYAH hath delivered us from all those evils, and Alahayim hath wrought signs and great wonders, which have not been done among the Gentiles.

(10:10) Therefore hath he made two lots, one for the people of Alahayim, and another for all the Gentiles.

(10:11) And these two lots came at the hour, and time, and day of judgment, before Alahayim among all nations.

(10:12) So Alahayim remembered his people, and justified his inheritance.

### **Neh 2:1**

And it came to pass in the month Nisan, in the twentieth year of Artaxerxes the king, *that wine was* before him: and I took up the wine, and gave *it* unto the king. Now I had not been *beforetime* sad in his presence.

### **Neh 2:2**

Wherefore the king said unto me, Why is thy countenance sad, seeing thou *art* not sick? this *is* nothing *else* but sorrow of heart. Then I was very sore afraid,

### **Neh 2:3**

And said unto the king, Let the king live for ever: why should not my countenance be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' sepulchres, *lieth* waste, and the gates thereof are consumed with fire?

### **Neh 2:4**

Then the king said unto me, For what dost thou make request? So I prayed to the Alahayim of heaven.

### **Neh 2:5**

And I said unto the king, If it please the king, and if thy servant have found favour in thy sight, that thou wouldst send me unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres, that I may build it.

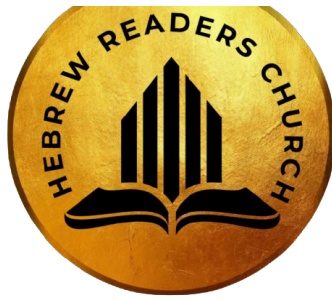
### **Neh 2:6**

And the king said unto me, (the queen also sitting by him,) For how long shall thy journey be? and when wilt thou return? So it pleased the king to send me; and I set him a time.

### **Neh 2:7**

Moreover I said unto the king, If it please the king, let letters be given me to the governors beyond the river, that they may convey me over till I come into Judah;

### **Neh 2:8**



And a letter unto Asaph the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the palace which *appertained* to the house, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall enter into. And the king granted me, according to the good hand of my Alahayim upon me.