

# Way *of* The Word

*Bible Clubs*

Spring 2006

**The Life of Esther:  
Being on God's Side**





# LESSON 1



**Disobedience can put God's people in places where they are ruled by others who do not think of God.**

Israel loved the idols from other nations more than they loved God. To teach them, God made them servants of those people.



**Xerxes I, the King who married Esther, ruled an Empire that stretched from India to Ethiopia. Circle India and Ethiopia on the map. Israel is also on the map. Find the black shape and write "Israel" in the blanks.**

## MEMORY VERSE

***Let all those be ashamed who serve graven images, who boast themselves of idols.***

~Psalm 97:7

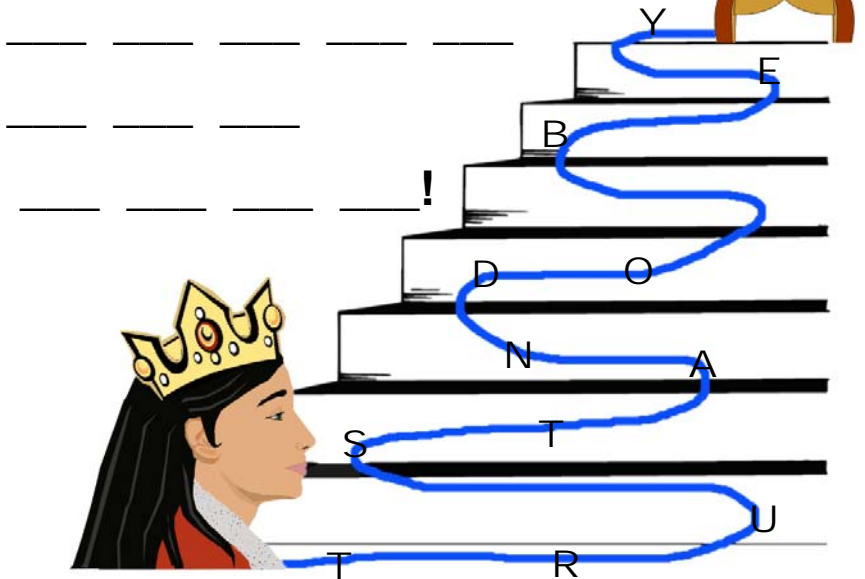


# LESSON 2



When God is preparing to use a young person, He takes the time to get the young person ready.

God helped Esther learn to obey when she was young. Help Queen Esther take the right steps by following the blue path to the throne. On the way, write each letter in order in the blanks below.



## MEMORY VERSE

*The steps of a man are established by the LORD,  
and He [God] delights in his way.*

~Psalm 37:23

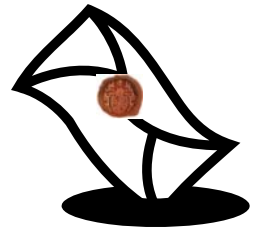


# LESSON 3



**Wicked men will try to oppose God's people and often make it hard for God's people to do right.** Haman decided he did not like God, and he refused to like God's people, so he decided to try to get rid of them.

The King gave Haman his signet ring to seal the letters that told the leaders to kill the Jews. A signet ring has an engraved picture on it. When you put it in wax, it leaves a mark. **Match the signet ring below with the same picture in the wax.**



## MEMORY VERSE

***The [wicked] band themselves together against the life of the righteous.***

~Psalm 94:21



# LESSON 4



Even though young people may find it hard to obey God, being on God's side is always the right choice. Sometimes being on God's side and on the side of God's people means we need to be willing to put our lives in danger.

1. Cross out all the days of the weeks.
2. Cross out all the colors.
3. Cross out all the names of animals.
4. Cross out all the numbers.

The words that are left are a message for you.

SUNDAY	BE	GREEN	HORSE
ON	PINK	THE	PIG
ORANGE	MONDAY	CHICKEN	LORD'S
FROG	THREE	SIDE	BLUE
AND	PURPLE	TUESDAY	SERVE
BLACK	WEDNESDAY	COW	FIVE
RABBIT	THE	WHITE	TEN
THURSDAY	GREY	SIX	LION
FOUR	BEAR	KING	FRIDAY
BROWN	WOLF	SATURDAY	SEVEN

## MEMORY VERSE

*In God I have put my trust, I shall not be afraid.  
What can man do to me?*

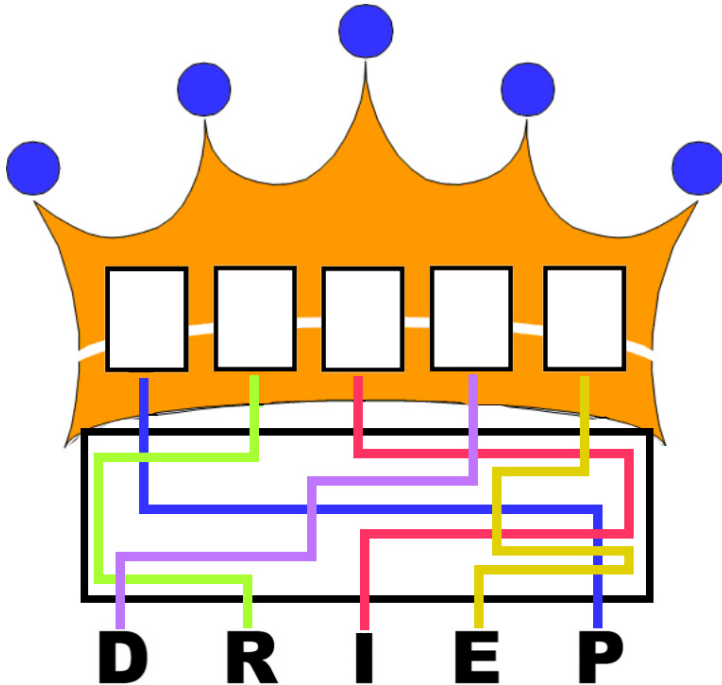
~Psalm 56:11



# LESSON 5



Sometimes men feel like they are more important than God, and their hearts become very proud. They then begin making plans that God hates.



Follow the path of each color and put the letter in the box in the crown. Find out what deceived Haman.

## MEMORY VERSE

*The LORD hates ... haughty eyes, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked plans, and feet that run rapidly to evil.*

~Proverbs 6:16-18



# LESSON 6



What a wicked person thinks will help him often proves to be the very thing that hurts him or brings him to ruin.

Imagine Haman's surprise when King Xerxes asked him to honor the very man Haman wanted to kill! Haman was caught in his own trap. Color the picture below of Haman honoring Mordecai.



## MEMORY VERSE

*In pride the wicked hotly pursue the afflicted; let them [the wicked] be caught in the plots which they have devised.*

~Psalm 10:2



# LESSON 7



God wants us to pray for and be respectful of our leaders, and our respectfulness often helps God's message to be heard.

Esther and her cousin Mordecai had respect for their King Xerxes, who was also Esther's husband. **Figure out the code below to find ways you can respect and pray for our leaders.**



I can pray for my leader to:

- Accept J \_ \_ \_ \_ as his or her Savior.
- Be p \_ \_ o \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ d from danger.
- To be wi \_ \_ \_ .
- To not be di \_ \_ co \_ \_ \_ ag \_ \_ d.

## MEMORY VERSE

***The king's heart is like channels of water in the hand of the LORD; He turns it wherever He wishes.***  
~Proverbs 21:1



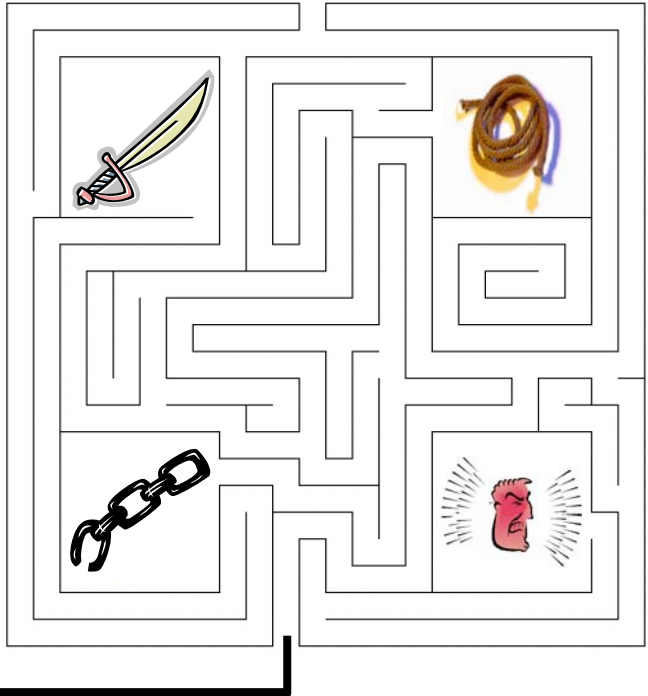
# LESSON 8



When it seems like God's people will suffer horribly and have no hope, God often provides a way of escape for them.

Safe!!!

God can save his children from danger. Esther and her cousin Mordecai need help right now to be safe from danger.



## MEMORY VERSE

*He will call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him.*

~Psalm 91:15



# LESSON 9

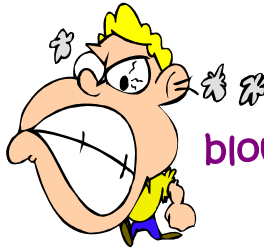


God warns men about the dangers of getting angry. A man who gets angry loses control of himself and often is ready to do more evil things he should not do.

Circle the two right things to do when you get angry.

have bad thoughts

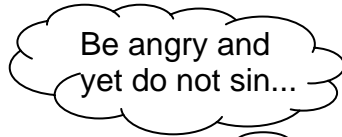
Cry



blow up



pray and ask  
God to help you



ask yourself "What has  
God told me to think or do?"

## MEMORY VERSE

*Like a city that is broken into and without walls  
is a man who has no control over his spirit.*

~Proverbs 25:28



# LESSON 10



Even though angry men do many wrong things when they are out of control, God's plan is never in danger. In fact, God is powerful enough even to use man's sins in His plan. When the story is all over, God will be the major character, and His way will win.

Match the right word to each sentence.

Haman  
Mordecai

God  
Esther



At the end of the book of Esther:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is Queen.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ is second in command to King Xerxes.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ is hanged on the gallows.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is in control.

## MEMORY VERSE

***Surely the wrath of man shall praise You: the remainder of wrath shall You restrain. (NKJV)***

~Psalm 76:10



# REVIEW



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