

“For Such A Time As This”

Faith Bible Church

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Esther 4:10-17 (*New American Standard Version*)

10 Then Esther spoke to Hathach and ordered him to reply to Mordecai: **11** "All the king's servants and the people of the king's provinces know that for any man or woman who comes to the king to the inner court who is not summoned, he has but one law, that he be put to death, unless the king holds out to him the golden scepter so that he may live. And I have not been summoned to come to the king for these thirty days." **12** And they related Esther's words to Mordecai. **13** Then Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, "Do not imagine that you in the king's palace can escape any more than all the Jews. **14** For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place and you and your father's house will perish. And who knows whether you have not attained royalty for such a time as this?" **15** Then Esther told them to reply to Mordecai, **16** "Go, assemble all the Jews who are found in Susa, and fast for me; do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my maidens also will fast in the same way. And thus I will go in to the king, which is not according to the law; and if I perish, I perish." **17** So Mordecai went away and did just as Esther had commanded him.

LIFE LESSONS FROM TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSON:

- I.** _____ has a _____ for _____ life!

- II.** Regardless of your _____, God's _____ will be accomplished.

- III.** _____ with God involves _____.

- IV.** While participation is _____, there is a _____ if you opt out.