

YOUR TIME IS NOW!

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WORSHIP

Great in Power, Today,
Sovereign, More Like Jesus,
You Are God Alone

WELCOME

Who is the most influential
woman in your life thus far?
How has she been used by
God to change your life for
good?

WEEKLY PRAYER
POINTS

I. Thanksgiving

- Worship God for who He is, what He has done, and what He will do in our lives.

II. Country and the World

- Upright and moral governance of public servants; repentance and salvation for government leaders and citizens for a Christ-centered Philippines.
- God's help and comfort for the Sudanese people caught in violence and conflict.
- War in Ukraine to end, loss of lives prevented; tension in East Asian and Middle East countries to stop.

III. Church

- That CCF Members would honor and love God and make disciples.
- Elders, pastors, dleaders, and families (holy, humble, harmonious, happy, heart-working).
- Ministries and churches expansion worldwide.

IV. CCF Facilities

- Worship and Training Center
- Prayer Mountain

V. Personal Concerns

- Deeper intimate relationship with God.
- Righteous living.
- Salvation of family and friends.

WORD

READ IT!

ESTHER 4:6-17

(READ ESTHER CHAPTERS 1-4 FOR CONTEXT)

⁶ So Hathach went out to Mordecai to the city square in front of the king's gate. ⁷ Mordecai told him all that had happened to him, and the exact amount of money that Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasuries for the destruction of the Jews. ⁸ He also gave him a copy of the text of the edict which had been issued in Susa for their destruction, that he might show Esther and inform her, and to order her to go in to the king to implore his favor and to plead with him for her people. ⁹ Hathach came back and related Mordecai's words to Esther. 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 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.

PARAPHRASE IT!

Restate the verses in your own words.

TALK ABOUT IT!

- What did you like about these verses?
- What did you learn about God?
- What did you learn about people?
- What did you learn about how to respond to God's sovereignty?
- What did you learn about following Jesus?

POINT IT OUT!

INTRO

(Esther 2:8,17)

I. SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD

(Esther 2:21-23; 3:1-11)

II. SURRENDER TO GOD

(Esther 4:1-16; 5:13-14; 6:1-13)

III. STAND IN THE GAP

(Esther 7:1-5, 9-10; 8:1-11; 9: 26, 28, 32, John 10:10, Luke 22:41-44, 1 Peter 3:18)

WORKS

APPLY IT!

Based on this lesson on "YOUR TIME IS NOW!", write down your action point to apply what you learned. Make it your "I will..." statement and follow the S.M.A.R.T. guideline to come up with a do-able action point.

Simple

Measurable

Appropriate

Realistic

Time-bound

"I will _____

SHARE IT!

Who will you share these truths to this week?

PRAY CARE SHARE
IN ACTION

Pray for people in authority, and those who have great influence over people groups and nations that our sovereign God will use them to accomplish His divine purpose for His people. As part of God's people, stand in the gap for your family, friends, nation by sharing Christ, the only Savior who can deliver them from their sins and give them eternal life.

MEMORY VERSE

ESTHER 4:14

"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?"