



The Brave and Beautiful Queen

Esther

Esther 2-5; 7; 9:20-22



Review and Discussion:

Challenge your child to retell the story. Help him or her remember key details by asking the following questions:

- ★ **What did Esther say when Mordecai told her to change the king's mind?** (“...He can have me killed.”)
- ★ **What did Mordecai tell Esther?** (“Perhaps you were made queen just for this moment.”)
- ★ **What happened to Haman at the end of the story?** (He was hanged on the gallows he’d built for Mordecai.)

Read the following thought aloud to help increase your child’s understanding:

Esther was probably very scared. People who went to see the king without being invited could be killed. But God had a plan. He had made Esther queen so that she could save the Jewish people, His people, from death.



Explore God’s Big Story:

Together, discover how this specific lesson ties into God’s Big Story. Read the following aloud to your child:

Even though Esther was scared, God used her to save His people. God loved Esther and made her for a special purpose. God loves each of us and has a purpose for us, too.



Memory Verse:

“Who knows (*shrug your shoulders*)
if perhaps you (*point forward*)
were made queen (*pretend to place a crown on your head*)
for just such a time as this (*point down firmly*)?”

Esther 4:14b (NLT)



Talk to God:

Dear God,
Even when I am scared, I can know that You are in control of everything. Help me to be brave like Esther. Help me fulfill Your plan for my life, too.
Amen.

