



Lesson: Esther

Bible Story: Esther (2:2-18; 4:5-17; 5:1-8; 7:1-10; 8:8-17)

Video: <https://www.sharefaith.com/video/queen-esther-bible-video-for-kids.html>

Bible Verse: “Call on me and I will help you.” Psalm 50:15

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- The bible verse Psalm 50:15 says, “Call on me and I will help you.” We can depend on God to help us when we ask Him. Our story today comes from Esther. It is in the Old Testament. Ask them to show which section of the bible is the Old Testament and which section is the New Testament.

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The king of Persia needed a queen. His helpers brought beautiful women to the palace so the king could choose a queen.

Esther was brought to the palace. No one knew that Esther was a Jew, one of the people of Israel. Her guardian, Mordecai, told her not to tell anyone because some people didn't like Jews. The king chose Esther as his queen.

One day, Mordecai was crying in the streets. Esther sent her helper to find out why. Mordecai sent a message to Esther. "You must help your people. The evil Haman has tricked the king into making a law so all Jews would be killed. Go to the king to save us."

Esther sent a message to Mordecai, "Don't eat or drink for three days. My servants and I will do the same. Then I will go to the king even though he has not sent for me. If I die, I die." (The law said that anyone who went to the king without being asked could be killed...even the queen!)

On the third day, Esther went to the king. The king held out his scepter (a king's special stick) to Esther. (That special signal showed that the king would allow someone to come to him.)

The king asked Esther, "What do you want? I will give you anything I have." Esther invited the king and Haman to a banquet that night. Then Esther asked the king and Haman to come to another banquet the next day. At the second banquet, the king asked, "What do you want me to do?"

Esther answered, "Please save my people. Haman wants to kill the Jews!"

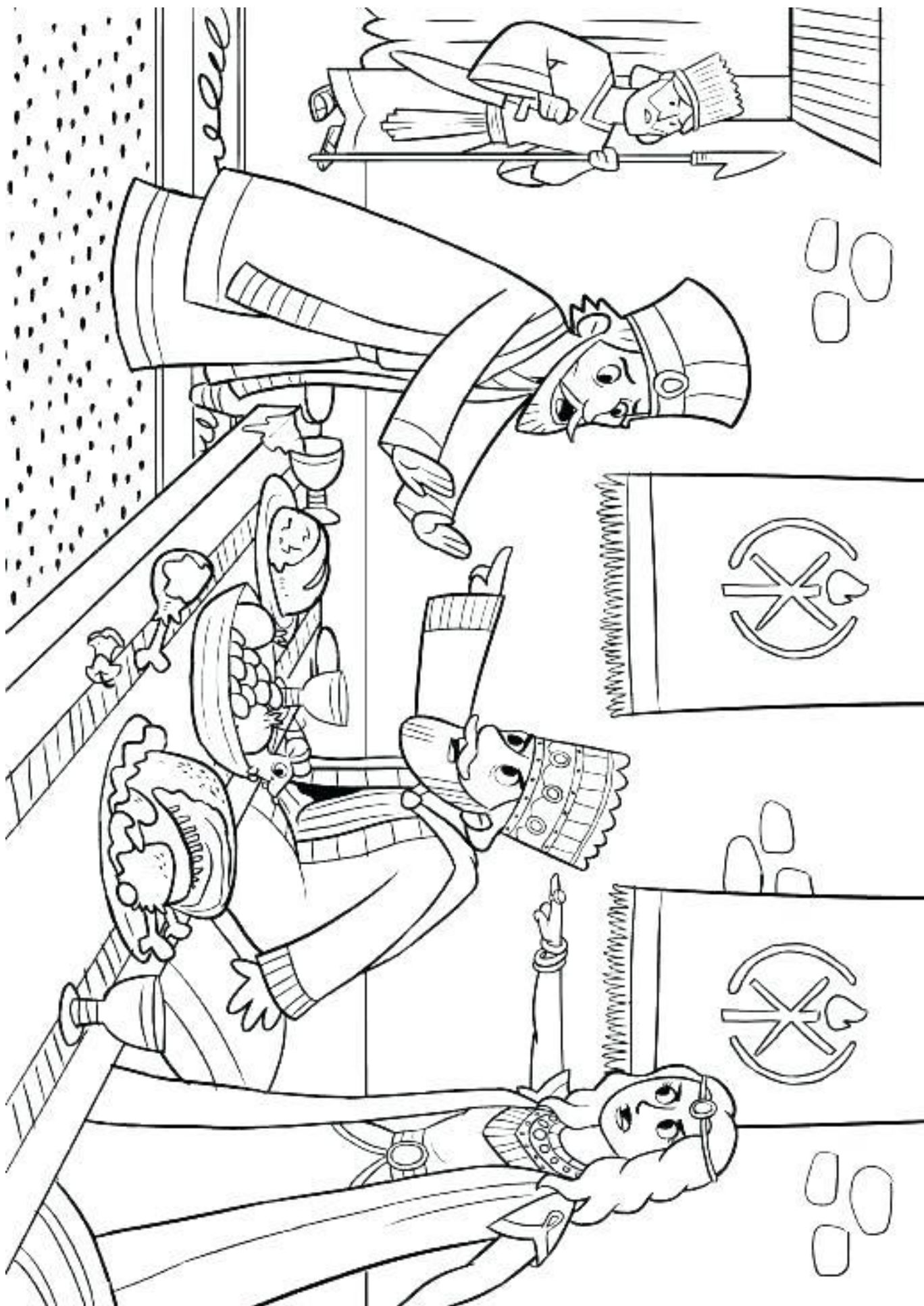
The king punished Haman. He told Esther and Mordecai to write a new law that would save the Jews. This new law allowed the Jews to fight and defend themselves. The Jewish people celebrated because they were safe.

- Watch Video: <https://www.sharefaith.com/video/queen-esther-bible-video-for-kids.html>
- Discuss the Scripture and Video

Coloring Page 1: The 2nd Banquet. Queen Esther, the King and Haman. Queen Esther revealed she was a Jew and that Haman was going to have the Jewish people killed!

Coloring Page 2: Queen Esther Color by Number (see attached PDF)

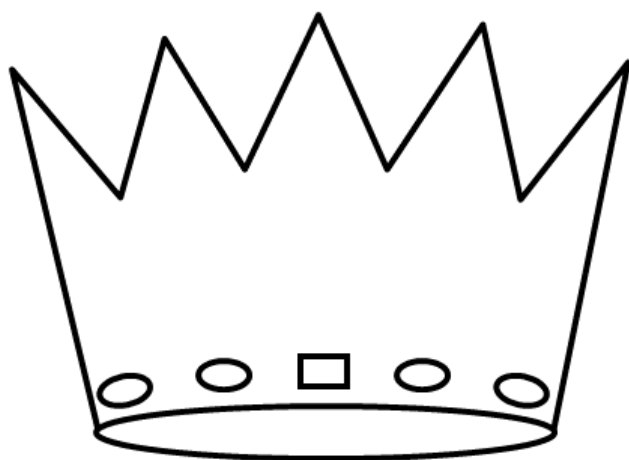
Activity Page: Queen Esther Word Search



Esther the Queen Word Search

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