

IF I PERISH, I PERISH Pt. 2
(4:1-5:14)

* 2 Corinthians 5:8-15

I. THE PERSONAL SELECTION OF ESTHER (1:1-2:23)

II. THE DIABOLICAL INTENTION OF HAMAN (3:1-4:3)

III. THE COURAGEOUS INTERCESSION OF ESTHER (4:4-5:14)

A. Her INITIAL REACTION to the News. (4:4)

B. Her WILLING RESPONSE to Cousin Mordecai. (4:5-11)

* What did Esther learn from her inquiry of Mordecai's actions?

* What difficulty was Esther faced with in fulfilling Mordecai's command?

* What was Mordecai's conviction and counsel regarding Esther's hesitations?

* What did Esther determine would be the course of action she would take?

* What can we learn from this?

C. Her UNUSUAL REQUEST at the Banquet. (5:1-14)

* What was Esther's initial action in contacting the king?

* How did the king respond to Esther?

* What request did Esther make of the king?

* How did the king respond again toward Esther?

* Did all of this serve to inflate Haman's pride?

* What can we learn from this?

* How does all of this apply to you?