



The  
GOSPEL  
in the life of  
ESTHER

## *The Gospel in the Life of Esther*

### *Discussion Questions*

**Date:** August 16, 2020 | **Scripture:** Esther 6:1

1. Read Esther 5:9-7:10. What stands out to you?
2. Look at Esther 5:9-12. In these verses, Haman is desperate to prove himself, to gain some sort of assurance of worth. There are clear aspects of idolatry here. Reflect on your own dreams and desires. What parts of your life do you look to in order to provide your own sense of worth?
3. This story, like the larger story of the gospel, is about reversal. Read 2 Corinthians 5:21. Reflect on this verse together. What is the good news of Christ being made sin for us?
4. How does this gospel of reversal speak to the idols you identified in question 2?
5. Where is it currently hardest for you to believe that God is working in the ordinary details? How can you accept this comfort, that Jesus is alive and he is present in the mundane?
6. Challenge yourselves as a CG. What is one "insignificant" or ordinary thing you can do this week with confidence because of Jesus?

#### **WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK**

Here are some other ways you can meet with God throughout the week:

Reflect on these Scriptures:

- Genesis 1-2:3
- Genesis 50:15-21
- Exodus 2:23-25
- Isaiah 46:8-11
- Matthew 26:36-46
- 2 Corinthians 5:16-6:10

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