

Where is God?

God Is at Work to Humble the Proud and Lift up the Humble

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Esther 5-7

Sermon questions

Our series in Esther is called “Where is God?” because God is never mentioned in the book, which invites you to become someone who looks for where He is at work, even when it isn’t obvious.

Use these questions to discuss the message from Sunday, focusing on how you can **grow** as an everyday follower of Jesus and how you can **go** accomplish what Jesus calls you to do.

1. Where do you see God at work in chapters 5-7 of Esther?
2. Have someone read **Esther 5:9-14**. What does this passage show you about pride? How does pride show up in your own life?
3. Have someone read **James 4:6**. How do you see God opposing the proud and giving grace to the humble, both in **Esther 5-7** and in your own life?

4. One of the themes in this story is the way God works in our lives. How can you **grow** in having faith that God is at work, even when it is difficult to see?

5. God rewards Esther's faithfulness and works through her willingness to put her life on the line in speaking with Xerxes. In your life right now, how is God calling you to **go** and take a step of faith, even though it is difficult or risky?

Read the Bible this year

Pastor Brad encouraged us to read the Bible in 2020. Here's some help getting started. Each day this week read from the Old and New Testament. Or, if you prefer, read just from one testament. Enjoy!

- Jeremiah 1-2; 1 Timothy 3
- Jeremiah 3-5; 1 Timothy 4
- Jeremiah 6-8; 1 Timothy 5
- Jeremiah 9-11; 1 Timothy 6
- Jeremiah 12-14; 2 Timothy 1
- Jeremiah 15-17; 2 Timothy 2
- Jeremiah 18-19; 2 Timothy 3