

Esther: God Uses Esther to Save His People

Key Verse 4:14

<p>Esther Made Queen...</p> <p>Jews Threatened</p>		<p>... To Save Her People (Jews)</p> <p>Vindication of Jews</p>	
<p>1:1 King Ahasuerus - gave banquet</p> <p>1:5 Royal wine was lavished</p> <p>1:10 Queen Vashti refused</p> <p>1:13 Give position to another</p>	<p>Queen Vashti Rebels</p>	<p>2:1 Beautiful young virgins sought</p> <p>2:5 Esther also was taken</p>	<p>Esther Made Queen</p>
<p>2:12 Girl went to king</p> <p>2:15 King loved Esther more</p> <p>2:19 Eunuchs-conspired to assassinate</p> <p>3:1 Haman plotted - destroy Jews</p> <p>3:7 Decree issued for destruction</p> <p>3:12 Letters sent by couriers</p> <p>4:1 Mourning among the Jews</p> <p>4:4 Queen was deeply distressed</p> <p>4:9 Such time as this</p>	<p>Haman's Plot Against The Jews</p>	<p>5:1 King-Haman come to banquet</p> <p>5:9 Haman-infuriated with Mordecai</p> <p>6:1 Honor bestowed on Mordecai</p> <p>6:12 Not prevail against him</p> <p>6:14 Foe and enemy - Haman</p>	<p>Esther's 1st Feast - Mordecai Honored</p>
<p>8:1 Mordecai over house of Haman</p> <p>8:3 Revoke the letters</p> <p>8:9 Jews-defend their lives</p> <p>8:15 Shouted and rejoiced</p> <p>9:1 Jews-struck down enemies</p>	<p>Esther's 2nd Feast - Haman Hanged</p>	<p>9:11 Sons of Haman hanged</p> <p>9:16 Gained relief from enemies</p> <p>9:18 Day of feasting</p> <p>9:20 Jews gained relief</p> <p>9:24 Days of Purim</p> <p>9:29 Purim should be observed</p> <p>10:1 Mordecai-powerful among Jews</p>	<p>Feast of Purim - Jews Prevailed</p>

Who wrote the book?

Possibly Mordecai, or he had someone write it for him

When written?

Probably shortly after King Xerxes (485 - 465 BC) reign, so 465 BC

To whom (OR/OH)?

It was written to the Jews from a Jew

From where?

Probably from Susa, the capital of Persia

Main Idea?

God's providence in a Jewish queen, and the deliverance of her people

Why written?

To show God's sovereignty in all circumstances.
The beginning of the feast of Purim