

APPLICATION QUESTIONS
Applying this message to everyday life

- A. Name one character quality you would like to ask God for. Why?
- B. Apart from the others in your Life Group, who is a person that you admire as a modern-day Esther. What makes this person special?
- C. What can you do to influence the next generation to be more like Esther?
- D. Invite everyone in the group to pray for the things you have discussed during your Life Group.

God's Got This
#623 – The Advantage of Favor
Esther 2:1-18

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The Advantage of Favor

And Esther won the favor of everyone who saw her.
Esther 2:15

The Book of Esther

King Xerxes' agreement to seek a new queen is evidence of God's _____.

The search for a queen was not a beauty _____.

The farther our nation goes away from God, the closer it gets to _____.

Use cosmetics to _____ inner beauty, not replace it.

King Xerxes selection of Esther is evidence of God's _____.

Esther's Secrets to Favor

1. She displayed grace-filled _____
2. She knew how to keep a _____
3. She sustained a teachable _____
4. She exhibited _____
5. She modeled a kind _____
6. She had a humble respect for _____

Become a Modern-Day Esther

1. _____ God
2. _____ God

GETTING-TO-KNOW-ME QUESTIONS

Sharing time to get your group started

- A. What is a hairstyle you once had that you will probably never have again?

- B. Have you ever belonged to a gym? What did you like about it?

- C. What is the last advice you remember receiving from your parents?

LIFE GROUP HOMEWORK – DIGGING DEEPER

Jot down a brief answer to the following four questions

Quick Review

1. Reflecting on this week's sermon, is there any principle or insight that stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful or difficult to grasp?

2. Of Esther's six secrets to favor, which one would you most like to cultivate? Which one is most likely to increase your favor? Why?

3. From the following list of five promises of God, which one is most important to you? Read the associated passage for this one passage and be prepared to discuss.
 - a. God loves you unconditionally (Romans 8:38-39).
 - b. God formed you w/ intention & knows you intimately (Ps 139).
 - c. You are redeemed & have an eternal home in Heaven (Ps 121).
 - d. God's plan for you is to prosper you, not to harm you (Jer 29:11)
 - e. You have special strength available to you through faith. The best resource that's available to you is the power of Christ. (Phil 4:13, Ps 5:12, Romans 8:31).

4. Explain what 1 Peter 3:3-4 means to you living in our culture?