

# Esther Complete Amplified Outline

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- I. The danger to the Jews (1:1 — 3:15)
  - A. The background to the plot (1:1 — 2:23)
    1. The divorce of Vashti (1:1-22)
      - a. The feasts of Xerxes (1:1-9)
        - (1) The feast for the nobles (1:1-4)
        - (2) The feast for the people (1:5-8)
        - (3) The feast of Vashti's (1:9)
      - b. The demise of Vashti (1:10-22)
        - (1) The refusal of Vashti (1:10-12)
        - (2) The decree of Xerxes (1:13-22)
    2. The elevation of Esther (2:1-18)
      - a. The search for a successor to Vashti (2:1-4)
      - b. The qualifications of Esther (2:5-7)
      - c. The preparation of Esther (2:8-11)
      - d. The selection of Esther (2:12-18)
        - (1) The procession of elimination (2:12-15)
        - (2) The choice of Esther (2:16-18)
    3. The service of Mordecai (2:19-23)
  - B. The formation of the plot (3:1-15)
    1. The rage of Haman (3:1-6)
    2. The plans of Haman (3:7-15)
- II. The deliverance of the Jews (4:1 — 10:3)
  - A. The frustration of the plot (4:1 — 7:10)
    1. The decision of Esther (4:1-17)
      - a. The plot discovered by Mordecai (4:1-3)
      - b. The plot relayed to Esther (4:4-8)
      - c. The resolve of Esther (4:9-17)
        - (1) The peril of the decision (4:9-12)
        - (2) The nature of the decision (4:13-17)
    2. The reception of Esther (5:1-8)
      - a. The appearance of Esther before the king (5:1-4)
      - b. The request of Esther to the king (5:5-8)
    3. The humiliation of Haman (5:9 — 6:14)
      - a. The plan of Haman to hang Mordecai (5:9-14)
      - b. The king's debt to Mordecai (6:1-3)
      - c. The honoring of Mordecai by the king through Haman (6:4-11)
      - d. The sorrow of Haman (6:12-14)
    4. The hanging of Haman (7:1-10)
      - a. The request of Esther for her people (7:1-4)
      - b. The exposure of Haman (7:5-6)
      - c. The plea of Haman (7:7)
      - d. The demise of Haman (7:8-10)
  - B. The dissolve of the plot (8:1 — 9:16)
    1. The elevation of Mordecai (8:1-2)
    2. The revocation of Haman's edict (8:3-17)
      - a. The second request of Esther (8:3-8)
      - b. The proclamation of the king (8:9-14)
      - c. The joy of the Jews (8:15-17)
    3. The defense of the Jews (9:1-16)
  - C. The sequel to the plot (9:17 — 10:3)
    1. The institution of the feast of Purim (9:17-32)
      - a. The joy of the Jews (9:17-19)

- b. The origin and meaning of Purim (9:20-28)
  - c. The establishment of Purim (9:29-32)
- 2. The greatness of Mordecai (10:1-3)