

MESSAGE # 13..How Deliverance Come to the Jews: Esther 8:1-17

I. Introduction

Here we are again with a study in Esther. Having seen the personal overthrow of Haman we are now anxious to see how the Jews will be delivered from the edict of the king, one of those things that could not be changed. We know, of course, that things decreed by men are often changed but the thinking of the time is something we cannot change today. The mere death of Haman did not end the problem...the date was set and the purposes given in the edict could have been achieved with or without him. But God has other plans and in this chapter we see them working.

II. Discussion:

- 8:1....Esther is given the estate of Haman, and Mordecai is brought before the king and their relationship is made known.
- 8:2....Mordecai is given the place of honor formerly held by Haman.
- 8:3....Esther appeals to the king for her people and pleads with him to get rid of the device of Haman.
- 8:4....Esther is permitted to speak and to offer some solution to the matter
- 8:5....What would be good would be another decree reversing the order of the first decree.
- 8:6....Esther's plea is emotionally supported...she cannot bear to see the ruin of her people.
- 8:7....The king reviews his treatment of Haman
- 8:8....And now he will have another writing for the Jews....
- 8:9....and here is the longest verse in the Bible and it simply tells of the mechanics in writing another decree and having it advertised.
- 8:10...Written by Mordecai, it is sealed with the king's ring and ut in the mail.
- 8:11...The essence is that the Jews will be allowed to gather and defend themselves in every place where they are threatened.
- 8:12...on the 13th day of the twelfth month

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