

Esther

For Such a Time as This “God's Promises and Human Institutions”

INTRO: *The amazing story of Esther comes to a close with today's study. The stunning reversal of fortune was only possible because the promises of a sovereign God are not threatened by human institutions.*

I. God has made _____ to His _____ People.

The specific promise that most impacts our story is Genesis 12:3 .

II. Believers may view _____ (and other divinely-ordained realms of authorities) as _____ to God fulfilling His _____.

Government is one of four realms divinely established by God (Church, family, and employment being the others) to administer His laws. Each may oppose God and appear to threaten the fulfillment of God's promises.

III. Trust God: God works through *imperfect people, providentially placed, employing common means, and _____ - _____ of _____ to fulfill His promises (7:1-10:3).* No person or thing can prevent our God from keeping His Word to us.

A. God _____ nations.
(Cf. Acts 17:17-24).

B. God _____ nations.
(Cf. Proverbs 21:1; 29:26).