

Esther 4 - God's Providence

How does this chapter develop our understanding of the main characters in the story?

Why do you think the narrator gives us so much detail of Esther and Mordecai's conversation?

This is the first time we hear Esther speak. What does that add to the story? Why have we not heard of her before if she's the main character?

God isn't mentioned in the book of Esther, but what signs are there in the passage that Mordecai and Esther have faith in him?

"And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?" What does Mordecai say here about God's control of the events in Esther's life? How do you feel about that?

What echoes of the gospel can you see in this story? How does Esther 4 point us to Jesus?