

## Esther's Choice



Esther was plucked from obscurity to become queen. But that is not what made her famous. She is revered because of what she did when faced with a dilemma — the planned genocide of her people, the Jews, on one assigned day.

One question prompted her valiant actions:

*“Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?”*

Esther could have used her position for her own gain, attempting to save herself and in doing so allowing the slaughter. Instead, she put herself at risk by revealing that she was a Jew and appealing to the king to rescue the Jews from this injustice.

But the story does not end there. The law ordering the massacre could not be repealed. So the king authorized Esther to write another law. She, with counselors, wrote a decree allowing the Jews to defend themselves and destroy anyone that would assault them on that day.

Esther courageously used her position to protect others, but she could not save them by herself. When that fateful day came, the Jews had to fight. They had a vital part to play.

What an important lesson for us. We need righteous people in key positions. But no matter how powerful their position may be, they cannot do everything. We all have a part to play and have been placed in our positions for such a time as this.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Wendy Wright".

Wendy Wright  
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