



Week 6

DIVINE REVERSALS

Start

Welcome to group session 6 of Pathways.

**If you're a sports fan, when have you seen a big reversal in a game?
How exciting was that to watch?**

Have you ever watched God do something surprising and unexpected? When?

**Before we begin, read aloud Esther 7; 8; 9:20-27 together as a group.
The passage is summarized below.**

Not only did Mordecai get the best of Haman, but Esther also outsmarted him. On the following day Esther assembled her guests for the second banquet, during which she revealed her request.

Haman begged for the queen's mercy, thus breaking protocol with the king's harem. He magnified his folly by stumbling to her couch, creating the appearance of impropriety and thereby sealing his doom with the irate king.

Esther successfully pleaded for the king's assistance to avert disaster for her people. The royal decree Mordecai wrote answered Haman's evil decree by giving the Jews the right to defend themselves. The thirteenth of Adar, the day that had been planned for the Jews' destruction, was exchanged for the two-day celebration of Purim because of the Jews' conquest.

Mordecai took Haman's place as second to the king. The author repeated the subsequent victory of the Jews because it established the Feast of Purim on the traditional calendar. The feast was named Purim because of the pur ("lot") cast by Haman earlier in the story.

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Watch

Complete this viewer guide as you watch video session 6.

God turns things around and flips them from where they were to where they ought to be to fulfill His purpose for us and to bring greater glory to Himself.

A social reversal

A political reversal

A legal reversal

When God moves, He can use individuals to affect whole societies and to transform whole nations.

God raises up people at strategic times to effect His purposes, to accomplish His program, and to guide us to our purpose.

An emotional reversal

Our emotions are affected by the information we're fed.

Look for where God is moving, even when you don't see God directly.

A spiritual reversal

It's never just about you. God wants to introduce other people to Himself through you.

God is after great reversals because He's after spiritual transformation.

The greatest reversal of all is Easter Sunday morning.

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Discuss

Discuss the video with your group, using the following questions.

This session focuses on the idea that our God is a God of reversals. What reversals have you observed during the time you've followed the Lord?

Dr. Evans taught that God can use individuals to bring about change for a whole society. What's once tangible way God is using you to change the world around you?

If God can bring change through individuals, how much more can He do through the collective work of the church?

Read Esther 8:16-17. God gave the Jews an emotional reversal. Why are we sometimes unwilling to trust God with our feelings? Why should this reversal give us confidence that God cares about our emotions?

Dr. Evans discussed the value of looking to find where God is moving, even when we don't see Him directly. How do we increase our sensitivity to God and His activity?

Where do you see God moving and bringing about a reversal right now?

Reread Esther 8:17. God's work in your life isn't just about you. How can you use what God is doing or has done in your life to help other people see the glory of His name?

Why is Easter Sunday the ultimate reversal? What does Easter Sunday teach us about the nature and providence of our God?

What's one big takeaway for you from the Book of Esther as we come to the last week of study?

Read week 6 and complete the activities before the next group session.

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Out with the old and in with the new. It's a cliché most of us are familiar with. This phrase is meant to communicate the importance of moving forward with the times and leaving behind what has become outdated. I have a flip phone. In this age of tablets and smartphones, I know my ancient instrument of technology must seem useless. All of my staff tries to communicate with me through text messages and emails. Honestly, I'd rather just stick to paper memos and handwritten notes.

The reason I haven't embraced the newer technology is that I'm simply too comfortable with the old way of doing things. When someone gives me directions to a place, I pull out a pen and paper. When flying, while everyone else on the plane pulls out a laptop, I pull out my yellow legal pad. I've been taking care of business one way for so long that changing to a new way doesn't appeal to me.

That's the way many Christians respond to new directions in their lives. This is the way they view God's ability to bring about divine reversals. They look only at the previous way things were done and assume God has to stick to that plan.

But God has more plans than sand on the seashore. He has more ways than stars in the sky. God can reverse circumstances on a dime when He wants to. We need to learn how to trust and follow His leading. How to be open to His approach. And how to expect the unexpected, placing our hope in a God who isn't bound by time, tradition, or predictable paths. The closing chapters of Esther show us that our God is a God of reversals.

◉ DAY 1 ◉

THE SECOND BANQUET BEGINS

Just twenty-four hours had reset the stage. Haman, recently a happy man who thought he sat on top of the world, was now experiencing a Prozac® moment. He had just led his archenemy through the streets declaring that everyone must show him honor at the king's command. Haman's whole universe had been turned upside down, and he hadn't had time to figure out how to make it right again.

I'm sure Haman didn't feel like attending another banquet as a guest of Esther and her king, but the king's eunuchs came and escorted him there anyway (see Esth. 6:14). A reversal was about to take place.

How do you imagine Esther was feeling headed into this second banquet? How would her previous preparation help her be faithful in this tense, important moment?

According to Esther 7:1, what did the king and Haman do to begin the banquet with Esther? Why do you think Esther arranged things this way?

Esther knew her request was beyond what seemed humanly possible to grant. The king couldn't reverse his edict even if he wanted to. The laws that governed Persia were written in stone and couldn't be changed (see Dan. 6:15). She needed more than favor. She needed more than half of the kingdom. Esther needed a divine reversal of the devastation planned for her people. Therefore, Esther sought to make her king comfortable before sharing her need with him.

Record your view of what a divine reversal means in contemporary terms.

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Esther obviously gave thought and planning to both the first and the second banquets. What steps are you taking right now in anticipation of God's faithfulness?

How does taking action help prepare us for God's eventual providence?

As the king, the queen, and Haman dined once again, the king extended his offer to Esther once more of up to half of the kingdom. It was a tempting offer on any other day, no doubt, but not on this day. Half of the kingdom would do little to secure the safety and survival of her people. Esther knew she needed more than this offer could provide, so she asked for her life and the lives of her people. Notice that she started with herself (see Esth. 7:3).

Why do you think Esther began by asking the king to spare her own life?

Read Esther 7:4. How did Esther present her argument so as to appeal to the king and his position?

This wasn't Esther's first rodeo. She knew what manner of man she was dealing with. Mere reason wouldn't work for this king. He was a leader of war, victory, power, and pride. Thus, Esther appealed to the king's sympathies and ego. First she stated that her own life was in jeopardy in order to capture his attention and bring the crisis closer to home. Next she shared that all of her people were at risk of annihilation, revealing that she was a Jew. Finally, she appealed to the king's pride by telling him they would all willingly be slaves to him without complaint. But if he would be so kind, she asked him to spare their lives.

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Notice that Esther didn't start with an accusation. She didn't blame Haman. She didn't offer evidence she had found about him. She didn't seek to elevate Mordecai for saving the king's life. These approaches might seem logical to us because they emanate from the sense of truth and justice in our souls. But sometimes the way to move people isn't through an appeal to truth or justice but to their own needs. Esther's king needed to feel honored. He needed to feel respected. He needed to feel in control. Esther was wise enough to know these facts and to phrase her request in the most persuasive language and tone.

Have you experienced a divine reversal in your life? Explain.

If you're waiting for a divine reversal, what's one action step you can take this week as you wait?

★ PRAYER ★

Faithful God, give me wisdom as I face people and situations in my life that resist the forward progress You've planned for me. Grace my lips with wise persuasion, as Your Word says in Proverbs 16:23-24. In Christ's name, amen.

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TIMING IS EVERYTHING

Esther finally made her request. She asked the king to spare her life and the lives of her people. The king was shocked, confused, and alarmed all at once. He asked Esther who created such a terrible plan to harm her and her people. That's when she turned her attention to Haman. "A foe and an enemy is this wicked Haman!" Esther responded (Esth. 7:6), no doubt unsure as to the king's loyalty toward his secondhand man. Esther didn't have the years of camaraderie that Haman had established with the king. She could see him only when invited. And now she was accusing one of his drinking buddies. How would the king react?

Esther had risked all to accuse the king's best friend, but it was her only option. And God had already revealed the crack in his character through the reading of the chronicles and the honoring of Mordecai. Maybe that would be enough to raise a question mark in the king's mind.

Because God had waited to release Esther to tell the king until the time was right, the king didn't even question her. Rather, he immediately became enraged. Scripture tells us that he stormed out into the palace gardens (see v. 7).

Review Esther 7:2-10. Take a moment to consider the importance of the timing of this revelation. How different might the king's reaction have been if Esther had accused Haman the first time she entered the king's court? How different might his reaction have been if she had accused him at the first banquet?

What do we learn from this account about God's timing and character?

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This account shows us the value of patience and discernment when waiting for God's timing of events, conversations, and actions in our lives. Only God knows the perfect timing for events to take place. It may seem that it's taking too long according to our own schedule, but God's schedule is perfect. Trusting Him and His leading will enable us to move forward at the perfect time for His plan to take place.

Read the following verse.

*The vision is yet for the appointed time;
It hastens toward the goal and it will not fail.
Though it tarries, wait for it;
For it will certainly come, it will not delay.*

HABAKKUK 2:3

What does this verse tell us about God's timing?

When do you struggle waiting for God? What are some things you do to remind yourself that He's worth waiting for?

Do you think most Christians realize the critical importance of waiting for God's timing? Why or why not?

It's easy in our fast-paced, get-it-now culture to become impatient as God lays out His plan. In our instant-gratification society, waiting has become a lost art. However, if Esther had asked the king for mercy for herself and her people before God had set the stage, she may have faced a different result. Rushing ahead of God is always a mistake.

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Read Psalm 27:14. What does it mean to “be strong and let your heart take courage” as you wait?

According to Galatians 6:9, what are we waiting for when we remain obedient and faithful to God?

In what ways does God reward our patience when we wait for His timing?

While the king was outside trying to get a grip on his emotions, Haman foolishly approached Esther to beg for his life. Yet timing came into play once again. Just at that moment the king returned:

When the king returned from the palace garden into the place where they were drinking wine, Haman was falling on the couch where Esther was. Then the king said, “Will he even assault the queen with me in the house?” As the word went out of the king’s mouth, they covered Haman’s face.

ESTHER 7:8

As the king saw this scene, still hot from his rage, I imagine he had to be thinking, *You’ve got to be kidding me! Haman, you already want to kill my wife, and now you’re assaulting her in my own home!* If the king’s hatred for Haman hadn’t reached full capacity before he went outside, it was beyond the boiling point when he returned.

Understand that Haman wasn’t actually assaulting Esther. He was begging for his life. In an ironic twist Haman was falsely accused, just as Haman had falsely accused the Jews. The king’s rage determined Haman’s fate. Immediately the king’s servants covered Haman’s face, not allowing him even a moment to speak for himself. Working through the impression that had been created, God didn’t provide

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an opportunity for Haman to defend himself. When God acts in judgment against an enemy of His will, He often acts swiftly.

What did the eunuchs suggest after they covered Haman's face (see Esth. 7:9)?

Recall a time when God reversed a situation for you or someone you know. How did His work affect your faith?

God had delayed Esther from telling the king the first two times he had asked what she wanted from him. If Esther had impulsively gone ahead of God's timing, Haman wouldn't have become angry at Mordecai and wouldn't have built the gallows on which he would now be hanged. Esther's obedience to God's divine timing allowed Haman to dig his own grave.

God allows unbelievers or enemies of His will to express their anger so that He can use it to stop the person from carrying out destruction. It's all about timing. God is a God of reversals. When the right time comes in His sovereign plan, He can quickly reverse things that appear to be irreversible.

*** PRAYER ***

Lord, I desire greater patience and deeper discernment in following Your leading in my life. Give me rest when worry disturbs me. Give me peace when concerns affect my thinking. I choose to place my hope in You, knowing that in Your perfect timing You can turn things around. In Christ's name, amen.

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THE GOD OF REVERSALS

As you complete this Bible study, maybe you're waiting for God to reverse a situation in your life, to turn things around, to vindicate you, or to remove the person who stands in your way. Perhaps you're in an unfair job situation or a family member isn't treating you with love. Maybe someone is jealous of you and seeks to belittle you to others, and you see no way to stop them. You may be facing a financial crisis or a health challenge.

You aren't alone. We all look to God to reverse many harmful or troubling situations in our lives. I want to remind you that God can change your circumstances with the flip of a switch. You may think your boss has the final say. You may think the powers that be have the final say. You may think the unscrupulous coworkers who are plotting against you have the final say. You may think because other people have a name, money, a position, or power that what they say goes. But the truth is, they don't anything unless God gives it to them. Furthermore, the God who gives it can also take it away.

Read Daniel 4:30. What does this verse tell you about King Nebuchadnezzar's heart and mind?

In what ways did the king's heart and mind contradict God's truth?

Now read Daniel 4:31-36. What were the results of God's intervention in this king's life? What lessons did he learn?

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If God can reverse the seemingly supreme power of a king in an instant, is the opposition of anything or anyone too difficult for Him to overcome? The answer to that is a resounding no. You may not be able to see the way He will do it, but you must trust that He's in the process of doing it as you remain obedient to Him in your thoughts and actions.

The overarching principle behind God's power to bring about a divine reversal is simple: there's only one source of authority. If you can ever plant this truth deep in your heart, in the very center of your being, you'll be set free from worry, stress, and anger. No human being, no matter who they are, has the final authority over you as a Christian who lives by the Spirit in the will of God. Nobody.

This means you never have to live afraid. You never have to live threatened. Things may look threatening to you, but you never have to view them as they look because no human has the final say. God does.

In what ways does this truth set you free from worry or fear?

Identify a time when another person was exercising control over you in a detrimental way and God turned the situation around for you. What did you learn from this experience?

Why is it important to keep your life free from worry and anger, especially when you want God to intervene and turn a circumstance around?

Read Romans 12:19. What does it mean to "leave room for the wrath of God"?

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Being vengeful isn't helpful. When you store up anger, revenge, jealousy, and other sinful thoughts and emotions, you aren't leaving room for God's wrath. Instead, you're placing distance between yourself and God and from your potential solution. Jesus said we should love our enemies (see Matt. 5:44). Always treat others with kindness, respect, and authentic love that stem from the conviction that God sees when others wrong you. He desires to turn your circumstance around. He can intervene if you'll step back, swallow your difficult emotions, and remain obedient to Him in all you do.

What lessons can we apply from Esther about enduring when we're called to suffer?

In what area of your life are you waiting for a divine reversal? Take a moment to ask God to reverse this circumstance in your life.

You may not know the way God will bring about a divine reversal in your situation, but you don't need to know. Trust His heart. Stay tethered to His love. Remain obedient to His Word. Follow His leading. Step out in faith. When you do, you'll see Him turn things around in a way you never could have imagined.

★ PRAYER ★

Lord, Your Word is truth. When I abide in Your Word and let love guide and guard my heart in Christ Jesus, I can witness Your hand move in ways I never imagined. Thank You for Your power and authority, which can bring about divine reversals in my life. In Christ's name, amen.

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PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

God doesn't always work out our situation in ways we anticipate. The pathway to arriving at our purpose in life sometimes veers off in a direction we didn't know was possible. Esther and her people faced certain death. They also lived in a time when the king they served was unable to reverse his own decrees. So how could God spare Esther and her people from annihilation?

Although the king didn't have the power to revoke what he had already set in motion, he provided an alternative plan. He instructed his scribes to write letters authorizing the Jews to defend themselves against the attack on their lives. These letters were then dispersed among all the inhabitants in the land in time for them to plan their counterattack. In the legacy of the kings who had come before him and established certain rights for foreigners in the land, the king gave the Jewish people the right to defend themselves. This king thus empowered the people he had previously doomed. Empowerment often involves imparting knowledge, which is one of the greatest tools that can be given to people either to lift themselves out of or defend themselves in an unjust situation like the one faced by the Jews.

Read Esther 8:11-12. What did the king allow the Jews to do?

Describe the difference between empowerment and entitlement. What principles can we apply today in seeking to lift others from destructive circumstances?

Often when we read the story of Esther, we view her as a heroine who rescued her people from certain death. However, I hope you've seen through this study that Esther didn't rescue her people from certain death at all. She didn't demand that the king cancel his edict. She didn't reverse the decree. She merely enabled her people to defend themselves from the threat of certain death. And she enabled them through the knowledge of the upcoming battle, along with the right to bear arms.

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What the Jews gained through Esther's stand was the knowledge of the ensuing battle, which allowed them the time to amass and use arms to legally defend themselves from their oppressors. Esther didn't win the battle for her people; she simply gave her people the ability to fight for themselves.

In what ways does the story of Esther demonstrate the importance of personal responsibility in overcoming challenges?

How can we surrender to and trust in God's activity while also exercising personal responsibility in our actions?

Read the following verse.

*It is God who is at work in you, both
to will and to work for His good pleasure.*

PHILIPPIANS 2:13

How does this verse reflect the importance of waiting on God and moving according to His direction?

God is at work in you both to will and to work out His plan. He provides the motivation, direction, and leading you're to act on. Then you have the responsibility to act on what God has shown you. Waiting on God doesn't mean doing nothing. Esther fasted and prayed before entering the king's court, but she also followed God's leading to prepare a banquet. God leads as you seek Him. It's up to you to follow that leading on the pathway He has designed for you. When you do, you can see Him empower you, provide for you, protect you, and work in your situation, just as He did for the Jews.

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God has an override button that nullifies even what Satan brings against you. People may align themselves against you, or circumstances may arise that aren't in your favor. But when God pushes the override button, He provides a way out. It may not stop others' evil from being evil, but it can cause that evil to boomerang and strike them instead so that you come out ahead when all is said and done. Isaiah 59:19 says:

*When the enemy comes in like a flood,
The Spirit of the LORD will lift up a standard against him.*
ISAIAH 59:19, NKJV

God will push the override button. God will rise up with double the force.

What does it mean for the Holy Spirit to “lift up a standard” against His enemies?

Is there an area of your life in which you need to take more personal responsibility to follow what God has led you to do? Identify next steps you can take.

God is so good at turning circumstances around when you move in accordance with His leading that He can even heal your emotional wounds. Recall Esther 4:3:

*There was great mourning among the Jews, with fasting,
weeping and wailing; and many lay on sackcloth and ashes.*
ESTHER 4:3

That was the scene when the first law was passed. But when the second law was passed and the carriers sent the message to the Jews that they could defend themselves, we read:

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*For the Jews there was light and gladness and joy and honor.
In each and every province and in each and every city,
wherever the king's commandment and his decree arrived,
there was gladness and joy for the Jews, a feast and a holiday.*

ESTHER 8:16-17

God can do the same for you. You may be crying today, but don't think that's how it's going to be when you wake up tomorrow. Not when God enters the situation. He can wipe away tears. He can turn pain into pleasure. He can turn sadness into joy.

Read the following verses.

*"Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me;
O LORD, be my helper."
You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
You have loosed my sackcloth and girded me with gladness,
That my soul may sing praise to You and not be silent.
O LORD my God, I will give thanks to You forever.*

PSALM 30:10-12

What does it mean for God to be our helper?

Read Jesus' words.

*I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that
I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will
not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.*

JOHN 16:7

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Who's the helper described in this verse?

According to the psalmist, how is this help experienced in our lives?

Personal responsibility calls us to obey God in faith and lean into His will. It means we learn to listen for and recognize His voice and to submit to His will. John 16 describes the Holy Spirit the same way God is described in Psalm 30. God the Holy Spirit is our helper. He applies the benefits of our redemption to our soul so that we're joyful in the middle of hardship. He helps us operate according to His divine-reversal principle. As you submit to His leading and His timing and He intervenes in your situation, your emotions can change in an instant from despair to joy.

In what situation do you need to depend on the Holy Spirit this week?

*** PRAYER ***

Lord, I want to operate according to Your divine leading.
I want to align my thoughts, actions, and desires with Your own.
I know when I do, You'll intervene and bring about a divine reversal in the challenges I'm facing. Thank You for all You're about to do as I surrender to You. In Christ's name, amen.

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YOUR PATHWAY

Many days I wish I could be one of those preachers who tell people that if you come to God, you'll have no enemies; you'll face no difficult days; you'll have no lean years, disappointments, or bad employers. I wish I could preach that, but if I did, I would be lying. Throughout Scripture God allows challenges, setbacks, and negative scenarios because it's against the backdrop of impossibilities that His beauty shines through. Just as a diamond glistens most brightly when placed against a dark backdrop, God's glory displays brightly as He brings about divine reversals in the face of seemingly insurmountable obstacles.

Yes, you'll face challenges on the pathway to your purpose. But whatever you come up against, it doesn't need to have the last say. When you remain tethered to the One who pulls the strings, you can witness Him come through for you in every way.

Read Exodus 14 and summarize the way God intervened.

Read Matthew 14:13-21. In what way did God turn this situation around? What perspective did Jesus take into the challenge?

Why is it important to demonstrate trust in and gratitude to God in the face of difficulties?

If the Book of Esther has taught us anything, it has taught us to change our perspective. Perspective is the way we see what we see. Sometimes we can be surrounded by threatening circumstances that don't look good at all. But when we learn how to view life with a kingdom perspective, we recognize the positive

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side of every difficulty we face. With God there's always an upside. A challenge is simply an opportunity for Him to showcase His power in our lives.

The Red Sea didn't signify certain death for the Israelites as the Egyptians chased them in six hundred chariots armed for battle. No, the Red Sea was the stage on which God performed two miracles: parting the water for the people to pass and drying the ground so that they wouldn't get bogged down in the mud (see Ex. 14).

The fainting five thousand (not including women and children) who followed Jesus to hear Him teach weren't a humanitarian disaster waiting to happen. No, feeding the five thousand with bread crumbs and fish was the screen on which Jesus showcased His authority over the natural realm, as well as His character of trust and gratitude in the presence of need and want (see Matt. 14:13-21).

The planned annihilation of the Jews by a resentful, proud man named Haman wasn't the end of God's people, whom He had chosen to bless the world. No, it was the backdrop for a saga that highlighted His providential power to reverse events, decrees, and positions with ease and precision.

Studying the story of Esther will challenge anyone's perspective on luck. Divine providence and luck can't coexist. Chance, fate, and happenstance don't exist simultaneously with God's providential hand. The providence of God means God is in control by either causing or allowing all events.

Now that we've almost completed a study of God's *providence*, how would you define that term?

What's your opinion of luck now that you've almost finished this study?

The Book of Esther is designed to expand your view of God, to shift your perspective away from spotting the challenges and difficulties of life toward seeing the opportunities God has created to highlight His power. We've seen that nowhere in the entire Book of Esther is God's name mentioned. The fact that He's not overtly

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seen makes even more remarkable the results He brought about. And observing what He did in the story of Esther should make it easier for you to recognize His fingerprints in your life and in your circumstances, even though you can't visibly see Him. Nothing will free you from frustration, anxiety, and confusion like realizing the supreme sovereignty of God.

What are key principles or lessons you've learned in this study?

In what ways do you intend to apply what you've learned to your thoughts and actions? How have you already begun to apply what you've learned, and how have you experienced God's intervention in your circumstances?

When believers get off course from the pathway of purpose God has ordained for them, the problem isn't that God has failed to be God. The major problem is that we're misaligned with Him, so we react in the flesh and in our own power to the negative situations around us. Therefore, we miss seeing God and His activity.

Aligning yourself with Christ and His Word is key to experiencing the divine intervention you need in your life. You must abide in Him in order to be guided by Him and live according to His Word. When you do, you'll experience the direction you need to move further on the pathway where He has placed you.

Record ways John 15:5-8 connects with the principles we've learned by studying the life of Esther.

Read Esther 9:1-2. What was the result of God's divine intervention in Esther's life and the lives of her people?

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**Make a commitment to memorize Romans 8:28 and 1 John 3:22.
Let these two verses settle deep in your soul and shape your emotions
and responses to life's challenges.**

Our God is a God of providence. Ultimately, it doesn't matter what others have done to you or what your finances, health, or circumstances are. They don't determine the resolution of your circumstance. Only God sets in motion the final course for your life. God designs the intersections on the pathway to your purpose.

Your responsibility as a Christian is to remain tied to God's Word and close to His Son, Jesus Christ, so that each step you take is the one He's guiding you to take. Step by step you'll reach your destination. Yes, some steps are harder than others. Some hills are steeper than others. Some treks are more treacherous than others. But all are necessary in getting you where God wants you to go. You don't have to see the destination when you set out on your journey. You just have to know the One who can. He will guide, direct, and sustain you as you stay close to Him every step along the path.

God knows the way. He knows the play. He's writing the script. He's setting the stage. He's changing the scenes. He's casting the characters. You just need to obey His direction as He guides you along the pathway to the grand, spectacular destiny He has ordained for you.

★ PRAYER ★

Lord, I love You. Thank You for the power of Your providence. Thank You for knowing the way I take and the best direction for me to travel.

I trust and rest in You. I place my faith in You. I honor You with my entire heart for the goodness You're able to bring into every situation I face. Keep me on the pathway of Your divine purpose and let me bring glory to You and good to others. In Christ's name, amen.

HERE & NOW

STUDY START DATE

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★ **TOP FIVE FAVORITE POINTS FROM THIS STUDY**

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WITH WHOM DID YOU DO THIS STUDY?



WITH WHOM DO YOU WANT TO SHARE THIS STUDY?

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