



ATHEY WOMEN



# Esther

Seeing Our King

A still life photograph featuring a silver tray with several figs, one of which is sliced open. To the left, a branch of a tree with green leaves and small red flowers is visible. In the foreground, a glass with a large, faceted diamond pendant is partially shown. The background is softly blurred, showing more of the tray and the glass.

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**This bird landed on the page about itself**

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The house my sister is looking at buying has a picture I painted when I was in high school for a history project on their wall

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Identical license plates but  
from different states

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Close call

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*Esther 3*

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**Haman**

הָמָן

- Persian -

“magnificent”

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# Haman

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*Esther 3:1*

“<sup>1</sup>After these things King Ahasuerus promoted Haman the Agate, the son of Hammedatha, and advanced him and set his throne above all the officials who were with him.”

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“<sup>5</sup> Now there was a Jew in Susa the  
citadel whose name was Mordecai,  
the son of Jair, son of Shimei, son of  
Kish, a Benjaminite.”

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*Esther 2:5*

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A still life photograph featuring a silver tray with several figs, one of which is sliced open. In the background, a red parrot is visible, and a crystal chandelier hangs from the ceiling. The scene is lit with warm, golden light, creating a rich, textured atmosphere.

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*1 Samuel 15*

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“<sup>9</sup> Be not quick in your spirit to become angry, for anger lodges in the heart of fools.”

*Ecclesiastes 7:9*

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“<sup>19</sup> Know this, my beloved brothers:  
let every person be quick to hear,  
slow to speak, slow to anger.”

*James 1:19*

“<sup>8</sup> Refrain from anger, and forsake  
wrath! Fret not yourself; it tends  
only to evil.”

*Psalms 37:8*

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“<sup>33</sup>The lot is cast into the lap,  
but its every decision is  
from the Lord.”

*Proverbs 16:33*

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“<sup>12</sup> Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. <sup>13</sup> You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.”

*Jeremiah 29:12-13*

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# Persian Empire

539-330 BC

Lydia  
Turkey

Assyria

- Ninevah
- Nimrud

Azerbaijan

Turkmenistan

Caspian Sea

Parthia

- Aleppo
- Harran

Syria  
• Carchemish

Media

Cyprus

Iraq

- Ecbatana

Babylonia

- Babylon

Elam

Iran

Afghanistan

Mediterranean Sea

Lebanon  
• Damascus  
• Sidon  
• Tyre

Aram

Akkad

- Nippur

- Susa

Sagartia

- Jerusalem

Israel

Jordan

Sumer

- Ur

Persia

- Persepolis

Pakistan

Libya

Arabia

Kuwait

Egypt

Red Sea

Saudi Arabia

Bahrain

Persian Gulf

Persian Empire in Red  
Ancient Nations in White  
Modern Nations in Black



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“<sup>15</sup> I will put enmity between you  
and the woman, and between  
your offspring and her offspring;  
he shall bruise your head, and  
you shall bruise his heel.”

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*Genesis 3:15*

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A close-up photograph of a silver tray with a decorative, scalloped edge. The tray is filled with several slices of rustic, golden-brown bread. In the background, a copper pot with a handle is visible. The lighting is warm and focused on the bread.

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# Proto-Evangelium

- Latin -

“First Gospel”

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<sup>16</sup> Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many, but referring to one, "And to your offspring," who is Christ.

*Galatians 3:16*

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“<sup>2</sup> By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, <sup>3</sup> and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already.”

*1 John 4:2-3*

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“<sup>12</sup> For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.”

*Ephesians 6:12*

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*Ephesians 6:13-18*

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The supreme example of controlling, directing influence which God exerts upon the wicked is the Cross of Christ with all its attendant circumstances. If ever the superintending providence of God was witnessed, it was there. From all eternity God had predestined every detail of that event of all events. Nothing was left to chance or the caprice of man. God had decreed when and where and how His blessed Son was to die... Not a thing occurred except as God had ordained, and all that He had ordained took place exactly as He purposed.

- *A.W. Pink*

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“<sup>16</sup> For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.”

*Colossians 1:16-17*

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