

QUESTIONS

Day 1: Review

1. Write down something meaningful that you learned from last week's lesson, discussion, notes, or scripture.

2. What do you remember about the lecture that might be helpful to your walk of faith?

**Day 2: Read Esther 9:1, 1 Corinthians 15:22, 1 Peter 2:24, Romans 6:23 [\[Open NIV\]](#)
[\[Open NKJV\]](#)**

3. In verse 1b, the NIV translation states, "On this day the enemies of the Jews had hoped to overpower them, but now the tables were turned and the Jews got the upper hand over those who hated them." Explain how the "tables had turned" for the Jews.

4. **Thought Question:** When you think about what happened to Jesus at the cross of Calvary and three days later in that empty tomb, explain how the "tables had turned" for Jesus and his followers during those 3 days over 2,000 years ago.

5. **Personal Question:** Explain how the "tables have turned" in your life because of what Jesus accomplished for you.

6. Using the following cross references, explain how Jesus “turned the tables” for us.

1 Corinthians 15:22 –

1 Peter 2:24 –

Romans 6:23 –

Day 3: Read Esther 9:2-17 [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

7. Record 5 facts from this passage that are important to the story of Esther.

Fact # 1 –

Fact # 2 –

Fact # 3 –

Fact # 4 –

Fact # 5 –

8. **Thought Question:** Write down a lesson or principle being expressed in verses 2-17?

9. **Personal Question:** How can you apply the lesson or principle you recorded in answering question 8 above?

Day 4: Read Esther 9:18-28 [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

10. What did all the Jews of the land do in verses 18-19, and what did Mordecai do according to verses 20-22?

11. How did the Jews of the land respond to Mordecai's letters recorded in verses 23-28?

12. **Personal Question:** Why do you think it was important for the Jews to remember God's deliverance through Esther for generations to come?

13. **Thought Question:** Can you think of anything that the New Testament church does to regularly remember God's deliverance through Jesus Christ?

Day 5: Read Esther 9:29-10:3 [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

14. **Thought Question:** Verse 29 says that Esther and Mordecai wrote with full authority. From whom did they receive their authority?

15. Why was it important that Esther and Mordecai be given the King's authority?

16. What are the final words written about Mordecai in chapter 10?

17. **Personal Question:** Who was more important for the deliverance of the Jews: Esther or Mordecai? Give the reason for your answer.

Day 6: Read the Book of Esther [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

18. **Thought Question:** As you think back over the Book of Esther, make a list of ways Esther was similar and/or reminds you of Jesus Christ.

19. **Personal Question:** What is your main take away after studying the Book of Esther?

20. **Personal Question:** How did the following people model something you should follow in your life?

King Xerxes –

Mordecai –

Esther –