PROFILES IN GREATNESS
Lesson 5

Once Upon a Time ...

      King Ahasuerus

Esther 1:1-5

      Once Upon a Time ... Queen Vashti

Esther 1:9-12

Once Upon a Time ... King Ahasuerus decided that he was lonely ...

Esther 2:1-4

Esther 2:5

Once Upon a Time ... there was a Jew named Mordecai

Esther 2:6 - Prevenient Grace

Esther 2:7 -

Esther 2:10 & 11

Esther 2:17 -

Esther 2: 21 - 23 -

Esther 3:1 & 2 - We all choose to whom and to what we will bow down!

Esther 3: 5 & 6 -

Esther 4:1-4 -

Esther 4:14 - You have been born for purpose and impact!

Esther 4: 15 & 16 -

Esther 6:6-12

Esther 7:8-10

Esther 9:4 and Esther 10:3

"And Mordecai ... and YOU ... lived greatly ever after!"

DAILY DISCIPLINES FOR GREATNESS

Day 1 - Read Esther Chapter 1. Describe Ahasuerus in 5 words based on what you read in this chapter. Do you believe that Vashti should have obeyed the king's command in verse 12? How do you handle people who have a problem with anger?

Day 2 - Read Esther Chapter 2. Describe both Mordecai and Esther in 5 words based on what you read in this chapter. How is Mordecai different than Ahasuerus? How is Esther different than Vashti?

Day 3 - Read Esther Chapter 3. Describe Haman in 5 words. Why did Mordecai decide not to bow? What are some of the things that you bow to that you need to re-evaluate?

Day 4 - Read Esther Chapter 4 & 5. Was Mordecai's reaction appropriate or inappropriate? Read Esther 4:14 again. What is your purpose? Why have you been born?

Day 5 - Read Esther 6 & 7. Who turned this situation around? What turned this situation around? There is always a "who" and a "what". What situation in your life needs to be turned around? How should you follow Esther's example?

Day 6 - Read Esther 8. Read verses 16 & 17 again. Underline the significant words in these verses. Remind yourself that these words are God's will for your life in every situation!

Day 7 - Read Esther 9 & 10. How is Mordecai remembered? Look at Esther 9:4 and Esther 10:3. What do you want your legacy to be? What choices did Mordecai make that ensured him this legacy?