

A JOURNEY THROUGH ALL 10 CHAPTERS

ESTHER

A Chapter-by-Chapter KJV Word Search Book

10 Puzzles • 200 Word Entries • Complete Answer Keys

Courage, Providence, and Deliverance

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Text preparation: chapter vocabulary was checked against a digital transcription of Esther in the King James Version. Hyphens are omitted in the grids; spelling otherwise follows the source text. Chapter titles are editorial descriptions.

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Welcome to Esther

Esther tells of danger and deliverance for the Jewish people under Persian rule. The account follows Esther's rise to the position of queen, Haman's plot, Mordecai's counsel, and the remarkable reversal of the threatened destruction.

These ten puzzles follow the chapters in order. They include the royal court at Shushan, Esther's courageous appeal, the honour given to Mordecai, and the establishment of Purim.

Each puzzle contains 20 words drawn from its own chapter in the King James Version. Read the chapter before or after completing the search. Every answer key gives a verse reference and the location of each word.

"And who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

From Esther 4:14 (KJV)

As you read, notice the choices made under pressure, the dangers of pride, and the importance of courage and loyalty. Consider how the events fit together in the preservation of the Jewish people.

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How to Use This Book

Read the chapter

Each puzzle corresponds to the chapter number printed at the top. All 20 listed words occur in that chapter of Esther in the KJV.

Search in every direction

Words may run horizontally, vertically, or diagonally, forward or backward. Every word follows a straight line. Words may cross or share letters.

Mark each discovery

Circle or highlight the word in the grid, then check its box in the word list. Each listed word has one verified occurrence in its puzzle.

Keep the KJV spelling

Older spellings and Bible names are intentional. Bible names and older word forms follow the KJV spelling in the chapter being studied. Hyphens, if present, are omitted from the grids.

Use the answer keys

The answer section begins on page 17. Each key includes a highlighted grid, a verse reference for every word, and start-to-end coordinates. Row 1 is at the top; column 1 is at the left.

Print comfortably

Print at actual size on letter-size paper. Grids and answer shading are designed for black-and-white printing. Print pages 7-16 for puzzles alone; pages 17-26 contain the keys.

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Queen Vashti Refuses the King

Read Esther 1 (KJV). Find and check all 20 words.

Words run in all eight directions. Answer key: page 17.



WORDS TO FIND

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|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ☐ AHASUERUS | ☐ INDIA | ☐ PALACE | ☐ SILVER |
| ☐ ETHIOPIA | ☐ MARBLE | ☐ PERSIA | ☐ THRONE |
| ☐ FEAST | ☐ MEDIA | ☐ PROVINCES | ☐ VASHTI |
| ☐ GARDEN | ☐ MEMUCAN | ☐ RICHES | ☐ VESSELS |
| ☐ HANGINGS | ☐ NOBLES | ☐ SHUSHAN | ☐ WINE |

Esther Becomes Queen

Read Esther 2 (KJV). Find and check all 20 words.

Words run in all eight directions. Answer key: page 18.



WORDS TO FIND

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ☐ ABIHAIL | ☐ CROWN | ☐ MORDECAI | ☐ TEBETH |
| ☐ BEAUTIFUL | ☐ ESTHER | ☐ MYRRH | ☐ TERESH |
| ☐ BENJAMITE | ☐ FEAST | ☐ PURIFICATION | ☐ TREE |
| ☐ BIGTHAN | ☐ HADASSAH | ☐ SHAASHGAZ | ☐ VIRGINS |
| ☐ CHRONICLES | ☐ HEGAI | ☐ SHUSHAN | ☐ WOMEN |

Haman Plots against the Jews

Read Esther 3 (KJV). Find and check all 20 words.

Words run in all eight directions. Answer key: page 19.



WORDS TO FIND

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|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| ☐ ADAR | ☐ LAWS | ☐ POSTS | ☐ SCRIBES |
| ☐ AGAGITE | ☐ LIEUTENANTS | ☐ PROVINCES | ☐ SILVER |
| ☐ DECREE | ☐ MORDECAI | ☐ PUR | ☐ TALENTS |
| ☐ HAMAN | ☐ NISAN | ☐ REVERENCED | ☐ TREASURIES |
| ☐ HAMMEDATHA | ☐ PERPLEXED | ☐ RING | ☐ WRATH |

Mordecai Appeals to Esther

Read Esther 4 (KJV). Find and check all 20 words.

Words run in all eight directions. Answer key: page 20.



WORDS TO FIND

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ☐ ASHES | ☐ FASTING | ☐ MAIDENS | ☐ SHUSHAN |
| ☐ BITTER | ☐ FATHER | ☐ MORDECAI | ☐ SUPPLICATION |
| ☐ CHAMBERLAINS | ☐ GOLDEN | ☐ PERISH | ☐ TREASURIES |
| ☐ DECREE | ☐ HATACH | ☐ SACKCLOTH | ☐ WAILING |
| ☐ DELIVERANCE | ☐ KINGDOM | ☐ SCEPTRE | ☐ WEeping |

Esther Invites the King and Haman

Read Esther 5 (KJV). Find and check all 20 words.

Words run in all eight directions. Answer key: page 21.



WORDS TO FIND

- | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ☐ APPAREL | ☐ FRIENDS | ☐ INNER | ☐ ROYAL |
| ☐ BANQUET | ☐ GALLOWS | ☐ MORDECAI | ☐ SCEPTRE |
| ☐ CHILDREN | ☐ GOLDEN | ☐ PETITION | ☐ THRONE |
| ☐ COURT | ☐ HAMAN | ☐ REQUEST | ☐ WINE |
| ☐ CUBITS | ☐ INDIGNATION | ☐ RICHES | ☐ ZERESH |

Mordecai Is Honoured

Read Esther 6 (KJV). Find and check all 20 words.

Words run in all eight directions. Answer key: page 22.



WORDS TO FIND

- | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ☐ APPAREL | ☐ COVERED | ☐ HONOUR | ☐ PRINCES |
| ☐ BIGTHANA | ☐ CROWN | ☐ HORSE | ☐ RECORDS |
| ☐ CHAMBERLAINS | ☐ DIGNITY | ☐ MORDECAI | ☐ SLEEP |
| ☐ CHRONICLES | ☐ GALLOWS | ☐ MOURNING | ☐ STREET |
| ☐ COURT | ☐ HAMAN | ☐ OUTWARD | ☐ TERESH |

Haman Is Exposed

Read Esther 7 (KJV). Find and check all 20 words.

Words run in all eight directions. Answer key: page 23.



WORDS TO FIND

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ☐ ADVERSARY | ☐ DESTROYED | ☐ HAMAN | ☐ REQUEST |
| ☐ BANQUET | ☐ ENEMY | ☐ HARBONAH | ☐ SLAIN |
| ☐ BED | ☐ ESTHER | ☐ LIFE | ☐ WICKED |
| ☐ BONDMEN | ☐ GALLOWS | ☐ PEOPLE | ☐ WINE |
| ☐ BONDWOMEN | ☐ GARDEN | ☐ PETITION | ☐ WRATH |

The Jews Are Granted Defence

Read Esther 8 (KJV). Find and check all 20 words.

Words run in all eight directions. Answer key: page 24.



WORDS TO FIND

- | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ☐ ADAR | ☐ DEVICE | ☐ LIEUTENANTS | ☐ RING |
| ☐ APPAREL | ☐ ENEMY | ☐ MORDECAI | ☐ SCEPTRE |
| ☐ CAMELS | ☐ ESTHER | ☐ MULES | ☐ SCRIBES |
| ☐ CROWN | ☐ GLADNESS | ☐ POSTS | ☐ SIVAN |
| ☐ DEPUTIES | ☐ HAMAN | ☐ PROVINCES | ☐ TEARS |

The Jews Prevail and Purim Is Established

Read Esther 9 (KJV). Find and check all 20 words.

Words run in all eight directions. Answer key: page 25.



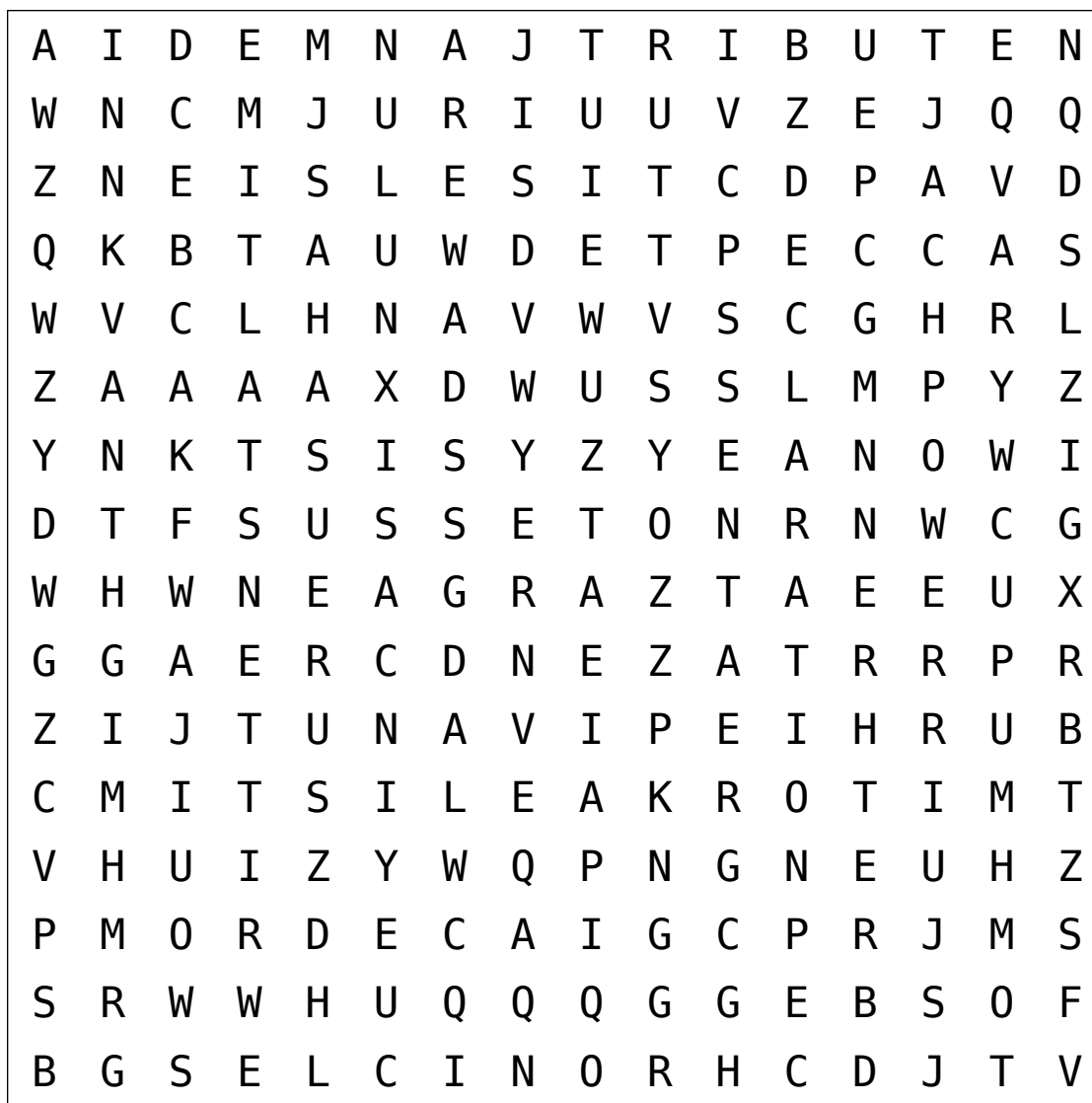
WORDS TO FIND

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| ☐ ADALIA | ☐ ASPATHA | ☐ GLADNESS | ☐ PORATHA |
| ☐ ADAR | ☐ DALPHON | ☐ JEWS | ☐ PROVINCES |
| ☐ ARIDAI | ☐ ENEMIES | ☐ PARMASHTA | ☐ PURIM |
| ☐ ARIDATHA | ☐ FEASTING | ☐ PARSHANDATHA | ☐ SHUSHAN |
| ☐ ARISAI | ☐ GIFTS | ☐ POOR | ☐ VAJEZATHA |

Mordecai's Greatness

Read Esther 10 (KJV). Find and check all 20 words.

Words run in all eight directions. Answer key: page 26.



WORDS TO FIND

- | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ☐ ACCEPTED | ☐ CHRONICLES | ☐ LAND | ☐ PERSIA |
| ☐ ACTS | ☐ DECLARATION | ☐ MEDIA | ☐ POWER |
| ☐ ADVANCED | ☐ GREATNESS | ☐ MIGHT | ☐ SEA |
| ☐ AHASUERUS | ☐ ISLES | ☐ MORDECAI | ☐ TRIBUTE |
| ☐ BRETHREN | ☐ KINGS | ☐ PEACE | ☐ WRITTEN |

Queen Vashti Refuses the King

Puzzle on page 7. Gray lines mark the complete words.

Coordinates: (row, column) start to end. Scripture column gives chapter:verse.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	S	S	U	B	X	G	S	L	J	P	A	N	H	R	J	R
2	V	Q	I	U	Y	V	U	X	S	R	I	H	K	W	K	O
3	L	N	N	L	X	A	W	F	F	O	P	L	B	I	I	D
4	M	N	S	K	V	D	Y	F	U	V	O	T	N	N	K	P
5	A	N	N	G	Z	E	X	R	C	I	I	R	K	E	A	I
6	R	E	E	A	N	O	R	B	J	N	H	F	X	L	T	R
7	B	L	W	D	H	I	D	R	C	C	T	M	A	H	I	W
8	L	S	U	Y	R	A	G	J	N	E	E	C	S	C	F	N
9	E	H	P	D	U	A	S	N	M	S	E	A	H	E	R	O
10	B	U	F	P	N	D	G	U	A	W	V	E	A	X	Z	B
11	Y	S	I	Y	Y	O	A	X	E	H	S	S	D	W	O	L
12	M	H	E	N	O	R	H	T	G	R	T	P	U	J	S	E
13	E	A	A	I	D	E	M	N	A	C	U	M	E	M	C	S
14	I	N	T	X	O	I	Q	W	F	D	I	S	L	P	F	E
15	P	E	R	S	I	A	A	Z	C	U	O	I	V	A	I	T
16	L	O	Y	C	L	Y	D	V	E	S	S	E	L	S	Y	F

WORD	VERSE	START → END	WORD	VERSE	START → END
AHASUERUS	1:1	(6,4)→(14,12)	PALACE	1:2	(4,16)→(9,11)
ETHIOPIA	1:1	(8,11)→(1,11)	PERSIA	1:3	(15,1)→(15,6)
FEAST	1:3	(8,15)→(12,11)	PROVINCES	1:1	(1,10)→(9,10)
GARDEN	1:5	(10,7)→(5,2)	RICHES	1:4	(6,16)→(11,11)
HANGINGS	1:6	(11,10)→(4,3)	SHUSHAN	1:2	(8,2)→(14,2)
INDIA	1:1	(11,3)→(15,7)	SILVER	1:6	(1,2)→(6,7)
MARBLE	1:6	(4,1)→(9,1)	THRONE	1:2	(12,8)→(12,3)
MEDIA	1:3	(13,7)→(13,3)	VASHTI	1:9	(10,11)→(5,16)
MEMUCAN	1:14	(13,14)→(13,8)	VESSELS	1:7	(16,8)→(16,14)
NOBLES	1:3	(8,16)→(13,16)	WINE	1:7	(2,14)→(5,14)

Esther Becomes Queen

Puzzle on page 8. Gray lines mark the complete words.

Coordinates: (row, column) start to end. Scripture column gives chapter:verse.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	C	P	I	A	C	E	D	R	O	M	J	O	O	B	Y	G
2	J	P	D	L	N	S	N	J	A	Y	Y	F	F	I	P	X
3	U	W	U	T	I	A	M	E	Y	E	S	T	H	E	R	E
4	A	M	Z	R	H	A	H	W	T	M	H	S	E	R	E	T
5	C	Z	A	T	I	N	H	N	W	I	H	X	W	G	C	C
6	S	K	G	O	C	F	G	I	A	Y	M	B	K	R	C	B
7	T	I	H	H	H	M	I	A	B	H	F	A	O	W	E	L
8	B	S	S	A	R	U	M	C	J	A	S	W	J	A	H	Q
9	T	N	A	D	O	A	Q	R	A	W	N	U	U	N	T	B
10	S	F	A	A	N	W	I	I	F	T	M	T	H	W	E	I
11	H	T	H	S	I	H	F	F	Q	X	I	M	H	S	H	B
12	R	S	S	S	C	T	W	B	Q	F	E	O	T	D	N	L
13	R	A	L	A	L	E	O	E	U	T	H	A	N	E	F	O
14	Y	E	R	H	E	B	M	L	I	F	P	L	E	E	R	T
15	M	F	Z	I	S	E	E	N	F	V	I	R	G	I	N	S
16	Z	K	D	C	W	T	N	R	L	H	G	H	E	G	A	I

WORD	VERSE	START → END	WORD	VERSE	START → END
ABIHAIL	2:15	(8,10)→(2,4)	MORDECAI	2:5	(1,10)→(1,3)
BEAUTIFUL	2:7	(6,16)→(14,8)	MYRRH	2:12	(15,1)→(11,1)
BENJAMITE	2:5	(11,16)→(3,8)	PURIFICATION	2:3	(2,2)→(13,13)
BIGTHAN	2:21	(8,1)→(2,7)	SHAASHGAZ	2:14	(12,3)→(4,3)
CHRONICLES	2:23	(6,5)→(15,5)	SHUSHAN	2:3	(11,14)→(5,8)
CROWN	2:17	(5,15)→(9,11)	TEBETH	2:16	(16,6)→(11,6)
ESTHER	2:7	(3,10)→(3,15)	TERESH	2:21	(4,16)→(4,11)
FEAST	2:18	(15,2)→(11,2)	TREE	2:23	(14,16)→(14,13)
HADASSAH	2:7	(7,4)→(14,4)	VIRGINS	2:2	(15,10)→(15,16)
HEGAI	2:8	(16,12)→(16,16)	WOMEN	2:3	(12,7)→(16,7)

Haman Plots against the Jews

Puzzle on page 9. Gray lines mark the complete words.

Coordinates: (row, column) start to end. Scripture column gives chapter:verse.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	V	S	S	T	N	A	N	E	T	U	E	I	L	E	T	M
2	G	N	I	R	I	Y	D	S	S	O	A	O	E	R	O	K
3	J	O	T	P	U	R	E	R	Q	E	I	R	E	R	R	P
4	H	X	K	A	S	B	X	O	W	V	C	A	D	B	A	Z
5	P	T	G	O	I	I	E	A	Z	E	S	E	R	G	W	N
6	H	L	A	R	V	P	L	O	D	U	C	P	E	O	W	S
7	L	H	C	R	F	S	P	B	R	A	R	T	V	S	F	T
8	Y	S	A	G	W	N	R	I	I	V	O	T	E	I	N	S
9	S	E	S	M	L	L	E	N	W	X	B	J	R	L	J	O
10	S	E	T	T	M	S	P	Q	I	A	M	N	E	V	Y	P
11	A	O	N	I	J	E	I	H	E	S	A	Y	N	E	R	M
12	A	G	E	A	G	A	D	X	Y	H	A	E	C	R	G	Y
13	S	D	L	L	H	A	M	A	N	H	L	N	E	H	J	W
14	D	X	A	U	J	V	G	Q	T	N	Q	W	D	O	L	G
15	A	P	T	R	Y	Y	U	A	X	H	S	W	A	L	I	G
16	P	R	O	V	I	N	C	E	S	Q	A	H	Q	U	I	A

WORD	VERSE	START → END	WORD	VERSE	START → END
ADAR	3:7	(12,1)→(15,4)	POSTS	3:13	(10,16)→(6,16)
AGAGITE	3:1	(15,8)→(9,2)	PROVINCES	3:8	(16,1)→(16,9)
DECREE	3:15	(6,9)→(1,14)	PUR	3:7	(3,4)→(3,6)
HAMAN	3:1	(13,5)→(13,9)	REVERENCED	3:2	(5,13)→(14,13)
HAMMEDATHA	3:1	(7,2)→(16,11)	RING	3:10	(2,4)→(2,1)
LAWS	3:8	(15,14)→(15,11)	SCRIBES	3:12	(8,2)→(2,8)
LIEUTENANTS	3:12	(1,13)→(1,3)	SILVER	3:9	(7,14)→(12,14)
MORDECAI	3:2	(1,16)→(8,9)	TALENTS	3:9	(15,3)→(9,3)
NISAN	3:7	(9,8)→(13,12)	TREASURIES	3:9	(1,15)→(10,6)
PERPLEXED	3:15	(10,7)→(2,7)	WRATH	3:5	(8,5)→(4,1)

Mordecai Appeals to Esther

Puzzle on page 10. Gray lines mark the complete words.

Coordinates: (row, column) start to end. Scripture column gives chapter:verse.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	E	E	R	C	E	D	A	L	X	V	S	E	H	S	A	F
2	V	T	M	H	H	E	I	A	C	E	D	R	O	M	A	X
3	D	S	B	D	A	A	S	A	C	K	C	L	O	T	H	K
4	Y	E	Z	D	N	T	M	J	Q	M	L	R	H	N	R	L
5	B	I	H	E	J	S	A	B	C	U	O	E	E	F	S	D
6	D	R	S	L	Y	U	H	C	E	J	R	D	Q	A	Y	D
7	P	U	N	I	K	P	H	D	H	R	L	Q	G	Z	P	A
8	X	S	E	V	F	P	H	N	K	O	L	L	M	N	G	M
9	G	A	D	E	F	L	S	A	G	J	F	A	S	C	I	K
10	C	E	I	R	S	I	I	H	F	A	S	T	I	N	G	K
11	V	R	A	A	C	C	R	S	V	V	E	P	Q	N	D	J
12	I	T	M	N	E	A	E	U	N	V	J	J	C	W	S	Z
13	L	L	Q	C	P	T	P	H	I	N	Y	V	N	C	B	U
14	U	E	Q	E	T	I	Z	S	R	W	E	E	P	I	N	G
15	I	F	N	S	R	O	B	I	T	T	E	R	N	S	C	S
16	L	W	G	D	E	N	W	A	I	L	I	N	G	J	O	B

WORD	VERSE	START → END	WORD	VERSE	START → END
ASHES	4:1	(1,15)→(1,11)	MAIDENS	4:16	(12,3)→(6,3)
BITTER	4:1	(15,7)→(15,12)	MORDECAI	4:1	(2,14)→(2,7)
CHAMBERLAINS	4:4	(1,4)→(12,15)	PERISH	4:16	(13,7)→(8,7)
DECREE	4:3	(1,6)→(1,1)	SACKCLOTH	4:1	(3,7)→(3,15)
DELIVERANCE	4:14	(4,4)→(14,4)	SCEPTRE	4:11	(10,5)→(16,5)
FASTING	4:3	(10,9)→(10,15)	SHUSHAN	4:8	(14,8)→(8,8)
FATHER	4:14	(1,16)→(6,11)	SUPPLICATION	4:8	(5,6)→(16,6)
GOLDEN	4:11	(9,9)→(4,14)	TREASURIES	4:7	(12,2)→(3,2)
HATACH	4:5	(2,4)→(7,9)	WAILING	4:3	(16,7)→(16,13)
KINGDOM	4:14	(10,16)→(4,10)	WEEPING	4:3	(14,10)→(14,16)

Esther Invites the King and Haman

Puzzle on page 11. Gray lines mark the complete words.

Coordinates: (row, column) start to end. Scripture column gives chapter:verse.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	F	D	Y	I	N	K	U	H	F	B	F	P	D	A	C	W
2	N	P	U	A	U	T	Z	W	Z	E	C	G	H	U	E	T
3	A	C	M	R	N	O	I	T	I	T	E	P	B	F	S	X
4	X	A	F	P	N	O	I	T	A	N	G	I	D	N	I	W
5	H	S	R	S	T	K	Y	S	Y	S	T	J	K	Z	I	G
6	B	U	I	R	C	K	E	W	P	S	J	H	D	N	M	O
7	A	S	E	E	S	E	N	F	H	T	S	N	E	T	T	L
8	N	W	N	N	Z	C	P	E	H	E	S	E	V	X	D	D
9	Q	O	D	N	K	Y	D	T	R	V	Z	E	H	F	A	E
10	U	L	S	I	I	X	Q	E	R	D	W	O	U	C	Z	N
11	E	L	X	M	S	P	Z	F	L	E	L	Q	H	Q	I	W
12	T	A	T	H	R	O	N	E	Y	X	M	I	A	O	E	R
13	V	G	X	C	A	P	P	A	R	E	L	Q	H	M	P	R
14	M	T	T	R	U	O	C	L	A	Y	O	R	F	C	N	Q
15	M	O	R	D	E	C	A	I	M	B	T	O	U	O	Z	B
16	A	G	M	R	L	Q	I	Z	L	H	C	M	M	W	M	Z

WORD	VERSE	START → END	WORD	VERSE	START → END
APPAREL	5:1	(13,5)→(13,11)	INNER	5:1	(10,4)→(6,4)
BANQUET	5:4	(6,1)→(12,1)	MORDECAI	5:9	(15,1)→(15,8)
CHILDREN	5:11	(14,14)→(7,7)	PETITION	5:6	(3,12)→(3,5)
COURT	5:1	(14,7)→(14,3)	REQUEST	5:3	(13,16)→(7,10)
CUBITS	5:14	(1,15)→(6,10)	RICHES	5:11	(12,16)→(7,11)
FRIENDS	5:10	(4,3)→(10,3)	ROYAL	5:1	(14,12)→(14,8)
GALLOWS	5:14	(13,2)→(7,2)	SCEPTRE	5:2	(5,4)→(11,10)
GOLDEN	5:2	(5,16)→(10,16)	THRONE	5:1	(12,3)→(12,8)
HAMAN	5:4	(5,1)→(1,5)	WINE	5:6	(4,16)→(7,13)
INDIGNATION	5:9	(4,15)→(4,5)	ZERESH	5:10	(11,7)→(6,12)

Mordecai Is Honoured

Puzzle on page 12. Gray lines mark the complete words.

Coordinates: (row, column) start to end. Scripture column gives chapter:verse.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	T	A	C	A	F	P	X	A	Q	X	C	K	R	U	S	A
2	Z	P	R	I	N	C	E	S	M	W	K	D	M	Y	I	R
3	H	B	I	G	T	H	A	N	A	N	E	M	O	T	I	E
4	H	V	Q	H	Z	X	K	Z	X	R	P	P	R	I	B	C
5	A	O	D	M	D	K	M	O	E	N	E	V	D	N	W	O
6	P	G	R	A	I	M	H	V	U	E	W	Y	E	G	N	R
7	P	N	D	S	E	B	O	S	L	T	T	P	C	I	D	D
8	Z	I	W	G	E	C	H	S	E	V	W	H	A	D	K	S
9	H	N	N	C	H	A	M	B	E	R	L	A	I	N	S	L
10	T	R	T	A	W	P	A	N	Q	A	E	S	R	C	B	A
11	R	U	S	Y	M	P	F	C	G	Z	P	T	Y	D	U	T
12	U	O	P	D	P	A	R	R	U	O	N	O	H	W	V	O
13	O	M	O	A	F	P	H	A	U	E	P	Z	H	O	Z	E
14	C	D	R	Z	B	Z	G	K	E	M	Z	N	W	O	R	C
15	I	E	C	L	O	S	S	E	L	C	I	N	O	R	H	C
16	L	M	G	A	L	L	O	W	S	T	R	E	E	T	T	Q

WORD	VERSE	START → END	WORD	VERSE	START → END
APPAREL	6:8	(10,7)→(16,1)	HONOUR	6:3	(12,13)→(12,8)
BIGTHANA	6:2	(3,2)→(3,9)	HORSE	6:8	(4,1)→(8,5)
CHAMBERLAINS	6:2	(9,4)→(9,15)	MORDECAI	6:2	(2,13)→(9,13)
CHRONICLES	6:1	(15,16)→(15,7)	MOURNING	6:12	(13,2)→(6,2)
COURT	6:4	(14,1)→(10,1)	OUTWARD	6:4	(5,8)→(11,14)
COVERED	6:12	(8,6)→(2,12)	PRINCES	6:9	(2,2)→(2,8)
CROWN	6:8	(14,16)→(14,12)	RECORDS	6:1	(2,16)→(8,16)
DIGNITY	6:3	(8,14)→(2,14)	SLEEP	6:1	(8,8)→(4,12)
GALLOWS	6:4	(16,3)→(16,9)	STREET	6:9	(16,9)→(16,14)
HAMAN	6:4	(13,7)→(9,3)	TERESH	6:2	(11,12)→(6,7)

Haman Is Exposed

Puzzle on page 13. Gray lines mark the complete words.

Coordinates: (row, column) start to end. Scripture column gives chapter:verse.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	Z	W	S	L	A	I	N	H	B	A	D	P	H	M	X	V
2	D	G	I	I	G	U	S	O	T	E	E	E	A	V	I	O
3	S	J	V	N	F	A	N	E	K	O	R	N	N	X	P	N
4	P	N	L	A	E	D	U	C	P	E	X	E	O	T	E	M
5	X	Z	E	U	M	Q	I	L	Q	D	B	M	B	E	T	P
6	E	Y	W	E	N	W	E	U	P	N	O	Y	R	F	I	C
7	U	B	N	A	A	Y	E	A	M	Z	N	V	A	I	T	R
8	U	I	B	I	M	S	R	N	A	W	D	M	H	L	I	T
9	C	O	Y	G	T	F	H	A	A	Y	W	M	Z	N	O	C
10	K	S	W	O	L	L	A	G	S	G	O	F	W	A	N	Z
11	P	C	X	U	T	P	Q	M	C	R	M	U	N	M	S	V
12	R	E	S	T	H	E	R	V	B	E	E	B	Q	A	B	H
13	D	D	W	R	A	T	H	X	S	E	N	V	M	H	Q	I
14	R	N	E	D	R	A	G	V	V	E	D	S	D	L	L	M
15	T	X	R	D	E	S	T	R	O	Y	E	D	D	A	Q	H
16	H	J	C	Y	Z	C	B	M	Q	G	V	X	G	E	Z	B

WORD	VERSE	START → END	WORD	VERSE	START → END
ADVERSARY	7:6	(15,14)→(7,6)	HAMAN	7:1	(13,14)→(9,14)
BANQUET	7:1	(8,3)→(2,9)	HARBONAH	7:9	(8,13)→(1,13)
BED	7:8	(12,9)→(14,11)	LIFE	7:3	(8,14)→(5,14)
BONDMEN	7:4	(1,9)→(7,3)	PEOPLE	7:3	(1,12)→(6,7)
BONDWOMEN	7:4	(5,11)→(13,11)	PETITION	7:2	(3,15)→(10,15)
DESTROYED	7:4	(15,4)→(15,12)	REQUEST	7:2	(3,11)→(9,5)
ENEMY	7:4	(2,12)→(6,12)	SLAIN	7:4	(1,3)→(1,7)
ESTHER	7:1	(12,2)→(12,7)	WICKED	7:6	(6,6)→(1,11)
GALLOWS	7:9	(10,8)→(10,2)	WINE	7:2	(1,2)→(4,5)
GARDEN	7:7	(14,7)→(14,2)	WRATH	7:7	(13,3)→(13,7)

The Jews Are Granted Defence

Puzzle on page 14. Gray lines mark the complete words.

Coordinates: (row, column) start to end. Scripture column gives chapter:verse.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	M	Y	S	R	B	L	E	R	A	P	P	A	T	A	G	M
2	S	J	E	A	G	K	P	D	P	P	S	U	J	E	U	S
3	A	I	Q	D	E	B	E	A	I	E	O	N	Y	L	R	C
4	M	G	V	A	L	P	K	N	C	A	N	S	E	D	U	R
5	F	N	T	A	U	F	O	N	D	H	C	S	T	S	X	I
6	M	I	X	T	N	W	I	X	O	P	V	E	V	S	L	B
7	X	R	I	G	T	V	E	X	R	F	T	Y	D	T	G	E
8	X	E	E	Y	O	E	B	S	C	R	O	W	N	R	P	S
9	S	U	B	R	L	Q	N	P	T	U	Z	B	D	S	O	U
10	C	Z	P	W	I	Z	P	E	W	H	S	F	N	S	M	M
11	K	C	A	M	E	L	S	O	M	H	E	X	Z	E	W	N
12	Z	L	E	C	I	V	E	D	E	Y	Q	R	L	N	L	H
13	D	L	I	E	U	T	E	N	A	N	T	S	E	D	D	A
14	O	E	R	T	P	E	C	S	S	M	U	O	H	A	J	M
15	R	F	X	W	C	T	S	R	A	E	T	E	T	L	S	A
16	V	I	R	L	Q	J	G	J	W	R	P	W	H	G	O	N

WORD	VERSE	START → END	WORD	VERSE	START → END
ADAR	8:12	(4,4)→(1,4)	LIEUTENANTS	8:9	(13,2)→(13,12)
APPAREL	8:15	(1,12)→(1,6)	MORDECAI	8:1	(10,16)→(3,9)
CAMELS	8:10	(11,2)→(11,7)	MULES	8:10	(1,16)→(5,12)
CROWN	8:15	(8,9)→(8,13)	POSTS	8:10	(2,10)→(6,14)
DEPUTIES	8:9	(2,8)→(9,1)	PROVINCES	8:5	(10,3)→(2,11)
DEVICE	8:3	(12,8)→(12,3)	RING	8:2	(7,2)→(4,2)
ENEMY	8:1	(8,6)→(12,10)	SCEPTRE	8:4	(14,8)→(14,2)
ESTHER	8:1	(7,7)→(12,12)	SCRIBES	8:9	(2,16)→(8,16)
GLADNESS	8:16	(16,14)→(9,14)	SIVAN	8:9	(2,1)→(6,5)
HAMAN	8:1	(12,16)→(16,16)	TEARS	8:3	(15,11)→(15,7)

The Jews Prevail and Purim Is Established

Puzzle on page 15. Gray lines mark the complete words.

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	H	M	C	K	K	S	S	E	N	D	A	L	G	T	W	Z
2	P	A	R	S	H	A	N	D	A	T	H	A	E	S	L	F
3	L	Q	U	B	E	F	A	H	T	A	R	O	P	X	L	Z
4	S	N	N	A	H	T	A	Z	E	J	A	V	I	C	S	L
5	A	E	M	A	S	K	T	O	I	Z	X	A	A	O	A	W
6	N	A	N	H	D	G	I	G	S	P	S	H	D	F	Y	T
7	A	R	O	E	G	A	S	V	A	I	T	D	A	S	G	B
8	H	I	A	Q	M	Y	R	R	R	A	G	A	O	E	I	F
9	S	D	A	H	D	I	M	A	P	Q	D	L	B	C	F	Y
10	U	A	D	K	T	A	E	S	M	J	I	P	L	N	T	Y
11	H	I	H	E	S	A	A	S	E	M	Z	H	Y	I	S	P
12	S	R	S	H	A	X	D	W	A	Q	Y	O	T	V	O	X
13	W	M	T	T	Y	Y	S	I	O	D	O	N	Y	O	T	E
14	Y	A	S	Q	D	G	N	H	R	Q	O	L	R	R	L	H
15	M	I	R	U	P	E	A	I	L	A	D	A	H	P	H	T
16	F	E	A	S	T	I	N	G	K	C	V	M	F	P	N	N

WORD	VERSE	START → END	WORD	VERSE	START → END
ADALIA	9:8	(15,12)→(15,7)	GLADNESS	9:17	(1,13)→(1,6)
ADAR	9:1	(5,4)→(8,7)	JEWS	9:1	(10,10)→(13,7)
ARIDAI	9:9	(6,2)→(11,2)	PARMASHTA	9:9	(6,10)→(14,2)
ARIDATHA	9:8	(15,10)→(8,3)	PARSHANDATHA	9:7	(2,1)→(2,12)
ARISAI	9:9	(9,8)→(4,13)	POOR	9:22	(11,16)→(14,13)
ASPATHA	9:7	(11,7)→(5,13)	PORATHA	9:8	(3,13)→(3,7)
DALPHON	9:7	(7,12)→(13,12)	PROVINCES	9:2	(15,14)→(7,14)
ENEMIES	9:1	(5,2)→(11,8)	PURIM	9:26	(15,5)→(15,1)
FEASTING	9:17	(16,1)→(16,8)	SHUSHAN	9:6	(12,1)→(6,1)
GIFTS	9:22	(7,15)→(11,15)	VAJEZATHA	9:9	(4,12)→(4,4)

Mordecai's Greatness

Puzzle on page 16. Gray lines mark the complete words.

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	A	I	D	E	M	N	A	J	T	R	I	B	U	T	E	N
2	W	N	C	M	J	U	R	I	U	U	V	Z	E	J	Q	Q
3	Z	N	E	I	S	L	E	S	I	T	C	D	P	A	V	D
4	Q	K	B	T	A	U	W	D	E	T	P	E	C	C	A	S
5	W	V	C	L	H	N	A	V	W	V	S	C	G	H	R	L
6	Z	A	A	A	A	X	D	W	U	S	S	L	M	P	Y	Z
7	Y	N	K	T	S	I	S	Y	Z	Y	E	A	N	O	W	I
8	D	T	F	S	U	S	S	E	T	O	N	R	N	W	C	G
9	W	H	W	N	E	A	G	R	A	Z	T	A	E	E	U	X
10	G	G	A	E	R	C	D	N	E	Z	A	T	R	R	P	R
11	Z	I	J	T	U	N	A	V	I	P	E	I	H	R	U	B
12	C	M	I	T	S	I	L	E	A	K	R	O	T	I	M	T
13	V	H	U	I	Z	Y	W	Q	P	N	G	N	E	U	H	Z
14	P	M	O	R	D	E	C	A	I	G	C	P	R	J	M	S
15	S	R	W	W	H	U	Q	Q	Q	G	G	E	B	S	O	F
16	B	G	S	E	L	C	I	N	O	R	H	C	D	J	T	V

WORD	VERSE	START → END	WORD	VERSE	START → END
ACCEPTED	10:3	(4,15)→(4,8)	LAND	10:1	(5,4)→(8,1)
ACTS	10:2	(6,2)→(3,5)	MEDIA	10:2	(1,5)→(1,1)
ADVANCED	10:2	(9,6)→(16,13)	MIGHT	10:2	(12,2)→(8,2)
AHASUERUS	10:1	(4,5)→(12,5)	MORDECAI	10:2	(14,2)→(14,9)
BRETHREN	10:3	(15,13)→(8,13)	PEACE	10:3	(13,9)→(9,5)
CHRONICLES	10:2	(16,12)→(16,3)	PERSIA	10:2	(11,10)→(6,5)
DECLARATION	10:2	(3,12)→(13,12)	POWER	10:2	(6,14)→(10,14)
GREATNESS	10:2	(13,11)→(5,11)	SEA	10:1	(7,7)→(9,9)
ISLES	10:1	(3,4)→(3,8)	TRIBUTE	10:1	(1,9)→(1,15)
KINGS	10:2	(12,10)→(8,6)	WRITTEN	10:2	(15,4)→(9,4)

The Journey Continues

You have completed all ten chapters of Esther. These puzzles have followed a story of danger, courage, reversal, and deliverance, from the royal feast to Mordecai's position of honour.

Return to Esther's decision in chapter 4, the king's sleepless night in chapter 6, and the institution of Purim in chapter 9. Notice how seemingly separate events become part of the larger account.

"The Jews had light, and gladness, and joy, and honour."

Esther 8:16 (KJV)

The contrast between Haman and Mordecai invites reflection on pride and service. Esther's willingness to act despite danger remains a striking example of courage on behalf of others.

Continue into Job to explore another book that calls for thoughtful reading as it considers suffering, human understanding, and the greatness of God.

Reading Notes

Record a verse, a question, or something you learned while reading Esther.