

# **Esther 8**

## **Esther 8.1-8**

**V 1** – **What happened to the possessions of Haman?** Given to Esther (as compensation for her suffering)

**V 1-2** – **What about Mordecai?** Replaced Haman

**V 3-6** – **Next action of Esther?** To approach the king and ask him to reverse the law that Haman had written for the destruction of the Jews

-Esther was desperately interested in the safety of the entire Jewish race

-She was very careful not to put any blame on the king, but on Haman

**V 7-8** – **King's response?** My law cannot be revoked (same with King Darius and Daniel in the lion's den)

## **Esther 8.9-14**

**V 9-10** – **What was the purpose of the scribes?** 127 provinces - probably at least that many languages to translate the edict into

**V 11** – **What was the new decree that was designed by Mordecai?** The Jews could defend themselves and seize the property of their enemies

**V 12-14** – The decree was carried to all parts of the Persian Empire

**V 15** - Mordecai was dressed in royal robes

**-Why was there rejoicing on the part of the Jews?** They were happy over the new edict, and they knew that God was with them

**V 17b** – **Why were the people in dread of the Jews?** Because of what had happened to Haman, and they knew that God was with the Jews

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