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Calm Before The Storm
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Studies in Esther

A Quick Review...

- **Jews are living in Babylonian captivity**
- **King Xerxes dumped Vashti and made Esther Queen**
- **Haman gets upset, decides to exterminate all the Jews**
- **Xerxes is duped into going along with the plan**
- **Mordecai asks Esther to intervene**
- **The Jews fast-Esther prepares-Storm gathers**

The Step of Faith: Esther Approaches The King

- **Esther takes her life in her hands by approaching the King**
- **She is unsure of her reception**
- **Xerxes didn't know what her request would be**

1 Corinthians 10:11

“These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the fulfillment of the ages has come.”

Lessons @ Prayer From Esther 5

We can always approach God in faith, expecting the best outcome.

“Jesus replied, “I tell you the truth, if you have faith and do not doubt, not only can you do what was done to the fig tree, but also you can say to this mountain, ‘Go, throw yourself into the sea,’ and it will be done. If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer.”

Mt 21:21-22

Lessons @ Prayer From Esther 5

We NEVER have to be afraid to approach God!

“Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”

Heb 4:16

Lessons @ Prayer From Esther 5

***We KNOW how we are going to be received
by God!***

~Obtain mercy

~Find Grace

***“Let us then approach the throne of grace with
confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace
to help us in our time of need.”***

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Lessons @ Prayer From Esther 5

We can ask for what we need from God.

“What would you have me do for you?”

Matt 20:30

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God delights in giving you good.

"Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Luke 11:11-13

Reflections for Today

- *Are you ready to take a step of faith and ask God for what you need?*
- *Are you bold enough to ask for something you don't deserve?*
- *What would you say if God asked you: "What would you have me do for you today?"*
- *What good thing do you need from God?*

Come ask God for what you need today!