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God's Handiwork

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Studies in Esther

A Quick Review...

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

God's Timing Is Always Right

- **Vs 2: It was found**
- **Vs 4: who is in the court?**
- **Vs 14: warned...but no time to react**
- **7:8: Just as the king returned**

“I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come! My purpose will stand and I will do all that I please.” Is 46:19

God Often Works Through “Bad” Circumstances.

- **6:1** **King couldn't sleep**
- **2:23** **Recorded...not Rewarded**
- **5:14** **Gallows built for Mordecai**

“We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

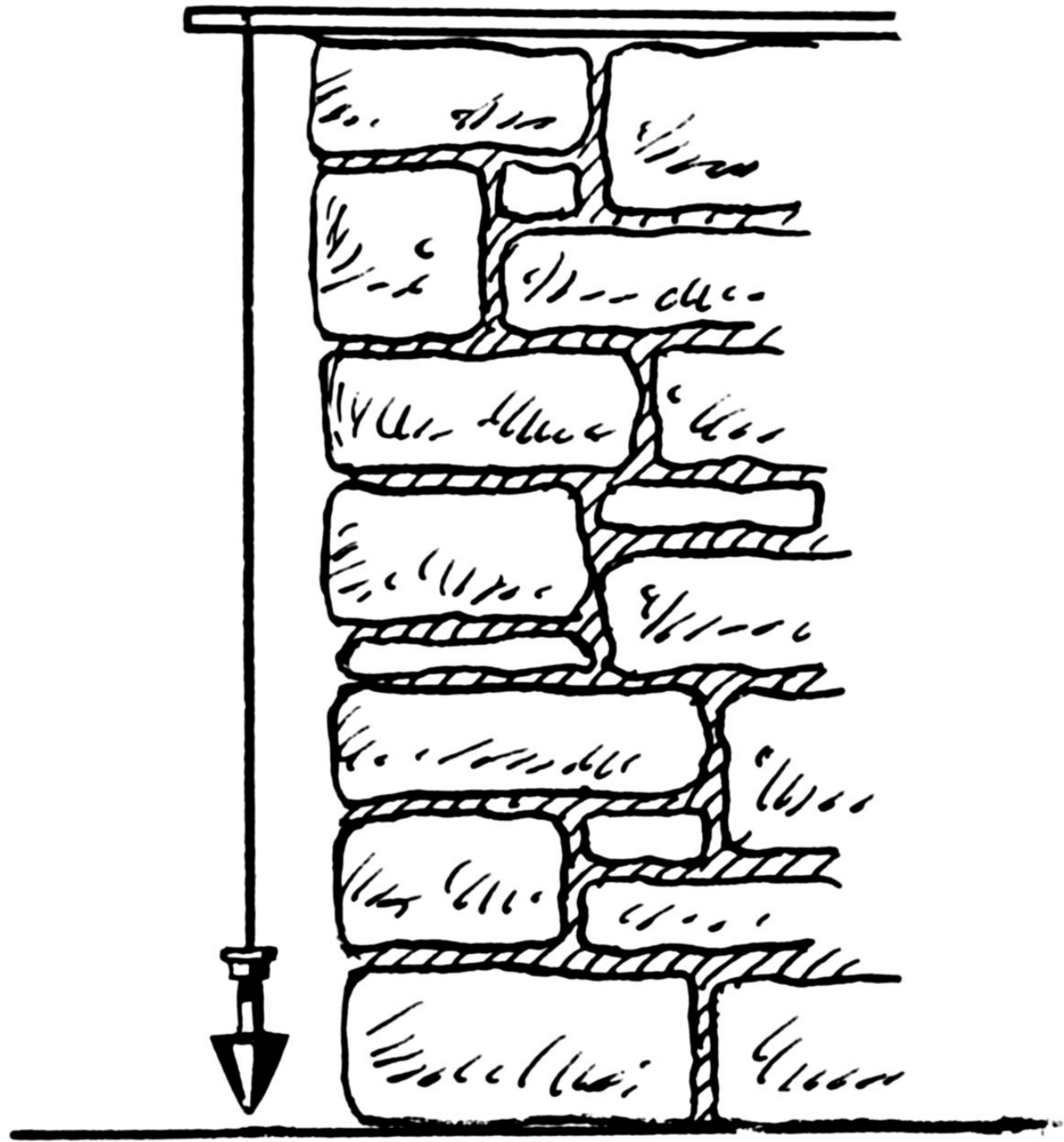
Rom 8:28

God Often Works Through The “Small Things” Of Life.

- **No sleep for Xerxes**
- **No reward for Mordecai**
- **The specific passage of his rule read**
- **Haman’s confusion of who is rewarded**
- **Harbona speaking up!**

“Who despises the day of small things? Men will rejoice when they see the plumb bob in the hand of Zerubbabel.”

Zech 4:10



God Always Rewards Faithfulness...and Unfaithfulness!

- **Faithfulness with Esther and Mordecai**
- **Unfaithfulness with Haman**

“Do not be deceived; God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.”

Gal 6:9

Lessons @ God's Handiwork

- ***Never Struggle with God's timing!***
- ***Embrace the Circumstances God Allows.***
- ***Never overlook the "small things" God uses.***
- ***Trust God's timing for reward.***

***"Do not grow weary in doing good for at the proper time we will
reap a harvest if we do not give up!"***

Gal 6:9