

At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5 Kings & Kingdoms Part 2: Judges - Esther Unit 9, Lesson 47

## Queen Esther Helps God's People

Lesson Aim: To know God gives us courage.

## THE WELCOME

TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "Be strong and brave."

## THE WORSHIP THE KING WHO BUILDS HIS KINGDOM

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

It's Praise Time! It's time to praise God together. He is the King who builds His kingdom. Let's thank Him for who He is and what He has done. This is a great day to do that! Sing: "This is the Day."

Today's Bible story is about Queen Esther who was strong and brave. That's our Whisper Verse: "Be strong and brave." Let's whisper it together. Review Whisper Verse. Include sign language.

**WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION:** *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

Queen Esther was thankful God helped her be strong and brave. As we give our offering, think about why you are thankful. Let's sing about how good God is. Sing: "God Is So Good." Collect the offering.

**OFFERING:** Collect the offering.

God blessed Queen Esther when he made her brave and beautiful. He blesses all of us when we listen and obey His Word in the Bible. Sing: "Blessed Are Those."

Who makes you strong and brave like Queen Esther? (God.) Let's sing a song about that! Sing: "I Can Do Everything."

# THE WORD ESTHER GOES TO THE KING CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned God helped Nehemiah rebuild the city wall. Today, we will hear how God helped Queen Esther be strong and **brave so she could help save her people.** Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Esther 5:2.

**WATCH THE WORD: ESTHER 2:7, 9; 4:14-16; 5:1-2; 7:1-3** Read poem. Display visual.

- > There once was a girl named Esther.
- She was beautiful, they say.
- > She married the King of Persia.
- She became Queen Esther that day.
- God's people were in danger.
- > She knew the king could help.
- > But she needed permission to see him,
- > So she prayed and went all by herself.
- > The king held out his scepter.
- > Esther had to be strong and brave.
- > She touched his scepter and said to him,
- "My people you must save."

Who was strong and brave when she went to see the king? (Queen Esther.) Our Whisper Verse tells us we can be like Queen Esther! Let's say it together. Include sign language or hand motions.

What did the king do with his scepter to show Queen Esther had permission to talk with him? (He held it out for her to touch.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Esther 5:2.

#### **THE WAY** YOU CAN BE STRONG AND BRAVE

**CRAFT:** Be Brave Mirror

**GAMES:** Bravery in the Mirror, Brave Scepter

**SNACK:** Sweet & Salty Scepters

CIRCLE OF PRAYER FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- COMPLETED CRAFT
- PONDER, PRAY & PLAY
- COLOR THIS STORY

### **GOT TIME?**

SAY & DO: Esther 2:7, 9; 4:14-16; 5:1-2; 7:1-3
BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Building the Verse, Listen and Obey
STORY TIME