

Home Group Questions on Esther 1 and 2

Do you think everyone has a 'shadow mission' (The life they would really like to live if they could give up their duties, responsibilities and expectations)?

How does the pull of the shadow mission affect us?

How is Xerxes like a mirror for us?

Would you like to have the wealth, power and opportunities he had?

What is the gospel answer to a lack of self control (cf Eph 5:18)?

Do you ever transfer the guilt of your mistakes to others, just as Xerxes transferred his guilt to Queen Vashti?

Compare and contrast Jesus with Xerxes.

In what ways was Esther attractive?

To what extent does personality play in attraction in our experience?

How can we help young people to recognise the importance of personality vs physical attraction?

“Happiness is found in relationships” To what extent is this true? To what extent is this helpful?