His Own Trap - Esther 7 – Nov. 18 Wed. Bible study

- Esther's bold and **c**_____ **r**_____ (Esther 7:1-4)

  Q. Why did Esther wait until the second banquet to make her request?

  Q. Esther waited for the right moment…how do you discern when to wait versus when to act boldly?

  - Esther receives a **b**_____ **c**_____ offer (Esther 7:1-2)

    Esther 7:3-4 - ***Q. How did Esther frame her request?***

    Q. What are the two things you notice about Esther's reply?

    Proverbs 15:1; 25:15

  - Esther took **a**_____ of the king's offer (Esther 7:3-4)

- The **r**_____ of King Xerxes (Esther 7:5)

- The **u**_____ of Haman, the villain (Esther 7:6)

- The divine **r**_____ of fortunes….as Haman is **h**_____! (7:7-8)

Q. Why does Haman stay behind instead of fleeing or following the king?

Q. What does the king's reaction reveal about his character?

Q. But how do we know that the king was really mad?

Proverbs 19:12

Esther 7:8; Numbers 32:23 ***Q. What does the king accuse Haman of?***

- Haman's reward…his **e**_____. (Esther 7:9-10)

Esther 7:9 - ***Q. What do you sense about King Xerxes regard for human life?***

Esther 7:10 - ***Q. What problem still remained AFTER Haman's execution?***

Q. What warning does his story offer us today?

Three important points about God:

1. God clearly **r**_____ a penalty for sin!

2. You can't **r**_____ your own sins! (Galatians 3:13; Romans 8:1)

3. God gets the last **W**_____! (Galatians 6:8)

Prayer Time

Hymn: 'God leads His dear children along'