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“Bigger Than the Moment”

Esther 4:1-17

Today's BIG IDEA:

God uses our difficult moments to develop our faith.

1. God _____ to our _____ (v.1-4)
(Psalm 34:18; 42:3-4; 56:8; Matthew 5:4)

- We must let our mourning lead us to run **to** God rather than run **away** from God.

2. God is _____ over our _____ (v.5-14)

A. God-ordained conflict is _____ (v.13)
(John 15:20; 2 Timothy 3:12)

B. God's promises are _____ (v.14a)
(Genesis 12:2-3; Isaiah 11:1-2)

- God's sovereign lordship is not an excuse for us to be sinful or lazy.

C. God's sovereignty is _____ (v.14b)

- Your present circumstances are not random or accidental. They are purposeful.

3. God _____ us to _____ to him (v.15-17)
(Psalm 109:26-27)

- God doesn't use difficult moments to show us how strong **we** are. He uses them to teach us how strong **He** is.

APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

1. Have you ever mourned deeply? Over what? How should our mourning lead us to the Lord?
2. When have you found yourself in a moment that was unmistakably God-ordained? How did you respond?
3. Do you tend to try to go through difficult moments alone? How do our moments of difficulty highlight our insufficiency compared to God's sufficiency?