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## For Such a Time As This

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TODAY'S READING: Esther 4

In Esther 4, we see Esther facing a life-changing decision. Haman, a high-ranking official, has convinced King Xerxes to issue a decree to destroy all Jews in the Persian Empire. Esther's cousin Mordecai urges her to speak to the king and plead for their people, even though approaching the king without an invitation could result in her death. Mordecai's words challenge her: "And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?"

This passage highlights themes of courage, purpose, and divine timing. Esther had to summon incredible bravery to act, risking her own life to save her people. Her story reminds us that we, too, might be placed in specific situations for a reason. God has a unique purpose for each of us, and He calls us to act with courage and faith.

Think about the unique opportunities and challenges you face. How might God be calling you to act with courage and faith in your current situation? Trust that He has a purpose for you and that He will guide you as you step out in faith.

**PRAYER:** God, thank You for the story of Esther and the lessons it teaches about courage, purpose, and divine timing. Help me to be brave and to recognize the unique opportunities You have given me. Teach me to trust in Your perfect timing and to act according to Your will.

TOMORROW'S READING: Luke 8

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