

For Such A Time As This Pt9

ESTHER 4:14

14b. ...who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?

ESTHER 7:1-4

1. So the king and Haman came to banquet with Esther the queen.
2. And the king said again unto Esther on the second day at the banquet of wine, **What is thy petition, queen Esther? and it shall be granted thee: and what is thy request? and it shall be performed, even to the half of the kingdom.**
3. Then Esther the queen answered and said, If I have found favour in thy sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my life be given me at my petition, and my people at my request:
4. For **we are sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be slain, and to perish.** But if we had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my tongue, although the enemy could not countervail the king's damage.

I KNOW [60-0417S]

And remember, no matter how great the distress is, **Satan cannot take your life until God has finished with you. There is nothing can happen to you unless God permits it.** There is no evil can come unless God permits it. **And it's for your good He's working that.**

ESTHER 7:5

5. Then the king Ahasuerus answered and said unto Esther the queen, **Who is he, and where is he,** that durst presume in his heart to do so?

THE CONTEST [62-1231]

People don't believe in demons in this day. But the thing to do, to my opinion, is **know your enemy.** And--and **know your enemy,** and train for the contest that you're going to have when you meet him, because you're going to meet him. And know him, know his, know what his strength is, and then train for this contest when you do meet him. **For it's one thing sure, you're going to meet him,** and so you train for the contest.

THE CONTEST [62-1231]

God is God, and Satan is Satan! If you don't believe in a Devil... When I first got started, I--I run headlong into him every day. **Don't tell me there's no Devil, because I know better. I have to fight with him every day.** So I know there's--there is a Devil. And you must be trained when you meet him. Not trained in psychology, not trained in education; but trained by the Holy Spirit. God's power in His Word to make It manifest. **Know your enemy.** Oh, what a cruel thing he is!

TO TAKE ON THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD [62-0701]

Now, as it was in the days of Noah, there was giants in the land, you know. And so, Satan also has his intellectual giants in the land. That's right. Oh, my. D.D., D.D., Ph., double L, Oh, my, my, my, intellectual giants... Oh, they know all the words, all the grammar; they know--they just know it all, intellectual giants. But somehow or another they become spies. And that's the spy system. Forgive me now, intellectual brother, but **it's a spy system that sits out among you to take out the sheep and say, "Why, that's holy-rollers. That isn't so."**

If it's with the Word, it is so. Now, we know we've got counterfeits everywhere. That's right. It's a battle. **You've got to know your enemy, and you've got to know your Armor.** Your Armor is the Word. **Your enemy is something that'll reason against It.** "Now, I tell you, dear, you don't have to do this. Our church is the biggest church. We got more..." Uh-huh, intellectual giants... And you listen to him a few minutes, he will have you so far away from the truth, till you won't know where you're at.

TO TAKE ON THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD [62-0701]

They try to reason: "Why would we need the Holy Ghost today? Why would we need Divine healing? Why would we need this, and how would we need another Pentecost? We're all civilized." They were too.

But you see, if **whatever it taken to begin with, and whatever God give them to begin with, that's what it ever remains.** And tactics of reasoning is what Satan used, and that's what he ever uses: reasoning.

We know our enemy, because any enemy... (Now, Brethren, I have let away from doctrine, you see, around here, but I've got to say this.) Any enemy that reasons against... Or **any person, any church, any organization, any individual that reasons against one punctuation of God's Word is your enemy.** It takes the Word to defeat the enemy.

SATAN'S EDEN [65-0829]

I don't care what it is, see. If it's against God's Word, be against it. That's your enemy. Anything that's against the Word is your enemy.

Everything that's for the Word is your brother. He's a part of you.

ESTHER 7:6

6. And Esther said, The adversary and enemy is this wicked Haman. Then Haman was afraid before the king and the queen.

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I wish you could stand with me and see the faces of people when Satan knows he is going to be exposed. Now, it isn't the people that I am talking about. It is that Satan has got a hold in their lives through sin, indifference, and disease. But you should see their faces. Satan knows he is going to be exposed, and the most peculiar changes come over the peoples' countenances. Satan is afraid. He knows that the Spirit of God is about to let the people know of his works. That is why he hates these meetings so much.

ESTHER 7:7-9

7. And the king arising from the banquet of wine in his wrath went into the palace garden: and Haman stood up to make request for his life to Esther the queen; for he saw that there was evil determined against him by the king.

8. Then the king returned out of the palace garden into the place of the banquet of wine; and Haman was fallen upon the bed whereon Esther was. Then said the king, Will he force the queen also before me in the house? As the word went out of the king's mouth, they covered Haman's face.

9. And Harbonah, one of the chamberlains, said before the king, Behold also, the gallows fifty cubits high, which Haman had made for Mordecai, who had spoken good for the king, standeth in the house of Haman. Then the king said, Hang him thereon.

REVELATION 20:1-3

1. And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

2. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,

3. And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

REVELATION 20:10

10. And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

ESTHER 7:10

10. So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then was the king's wrath pacified.

THE FUTURE HOME... [64-0802]

That's not just a story; that's the Truth. That's what God said. That's what He has promised. That's what the Bride goes to. "Even the desert," He said, "shall blossom, be a rose."

Satan, sin, and sinners, has gone, forever. It's all done; blended it into Eternity. And all that was perverted, that great archangel that set there one day, Satan, that did all this evil, will be destroyed. You remember, the Bible said, "If that soul won't do as He did, said do, He will even destroy that soul."

But, you see, He can't destroy Himself and remain God. So, if that soul is of the world, it has to be destroyed. But if it's Eternal, with God, it never did begin, because it's part of God and can never be destroyed.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS [59-1223]

And you can no more die than God can die, because you are a part of God.