Lessons we can learn from Esther (F.S.M. Bible Study-11/30/22)

1. ***Trust God even when it seems as if God isn’t present***

God’s name was not mentioned in any chapters of the book of Esther, but God was present. We experience these moments in our lives, but God is always with us.

* In his defense Jesus said to them, “My Father is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at his work to this very day, and I too am working. (***John 5:17***)

2. ***God uses all people no matter our background***

Esther a Jewish woman without a father or mother raised by her cousin. Esther was an Orphan. (**Esther 2:7**)

* And we know that in \_\_\_\_\_ things God \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the good of those who love him, who have been \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ according to his purpose. (***Roman’s 8:28)***

3. ***Be ready to stand for the Lord otherwise you may lose your blessing***

“Do not think because you are in the King’s house you alone of all Jews will escape. For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place,” (Esther *4:13*)

* You need to persevere so that when you have done the \_\_\_\_\_\_of God, you will receive what he has\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (***Hebrews 10:36***)

4. ***Seek God through fasting and Prayer before acting***

Wait to hear from God. Esther requested her people to pray and fast with her. They prayed and fasted for 3 days before she went before the King with her request. (**Esther 4:16**)

And he said unto them, this kind can come forth by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (***Mark 9:29 KJV***)