



"But we have all seen others which required no name, because they were such striking likenesses that the moment you looked upon them you knew them."

Charles Spurgeon

"But, though the name of God be not in it, the finger of God is, directing many minute events for the bringing about of his people's deliverance."

Matthew Henry

*... as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth in him.*

Ephesians 1:10

*Now in the days of Ahasuerus, the Ahasuerus who reigned from India to Ethiopia over 127 provinces...*

Esther 1:1

*...in those days when King Ahasuerus sat on his royal throne in Susa, the citadel, in the third year of his reign he gave a feast for all his officials and servants.*

Esther 1:2-3

*The army of Persia and Media and the nobles and governors of the provinces were before him, while he showed the riches of his royal glory and the splendor and pomp of his greatness for many days, 180 days.*

Esther 1:3-4

*And when these days were completed, the king gave for all the people present in Susa the citadel, both great and small, a feast lasting for seven days in the court of the garden of the king's palace.*

Esther 1:5

*There were white cotton curtains and violet hangings fastened with cords of fine linen and purple to silver rods and marble pillars, and also couches of gold and silver on a mosaic pavement of porphyry, marble, mother-of-pearl, and precious stones.*

Esther 1:6

*Drinks were served in golden vessels, vessels of different kinds, and the royal wine was lavished according to the bounty of the king. And drinking was according to this edict: "There is no compulsion." For the king had given orders to all the staff of his palace to do as each man desired.*

Esther 1:7-8

*Queen Vashti also gave a feast for the women in the palace that belonged to King Ahasuerus.*

Esther 1:9

*Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.*

Romans 13:1

"Name whichever empire, nation, or government you wish as the mightiest, the greatest, and the most powerful, the king of the universe sits high above on his throne, laughing at the impotence of even the greatest nations."

Karen Jobes

*Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth rise up and the rulers band together against the Lord and against his anointed, saying, "Let us break their chains and throw off their shackles." The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at them. He rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, saying, "I have installed my king on Zion, my holy mountain." I will proclaim the Lord's decree: He said to me, "You are my son; today I have become your father. Ask me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession."*

Psalm 2:1-8