# sermon notes

Tom Didier, Verse By Verse Fellowship | Esther | May 22, 2024 | "God Overcomes Reckless Pride" | Esther 5:9-6:13

- 1) The After Party (5:9-14)
  Pride is
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- 2) A Sleepless Night (6:1-10) Pride is
- 3) Woe is Me! (6:11-13)

  Pride \_\_\_\_\_ the honorable.

## Questions for Further Application of God's Word:

### **GO DEEPER**

Read Esther 5:9-6:13. How many examples of the pride of Haman can you find?

What do you think the big idea of this passage is?

Read Esther 6:12 and consider the different ways that Haman and Mordecai responded after Haman honored Mordecai. How is this instructive for us as we consider our response to being honored or honoring another?

#### **GET PERSONAL**

Throughout Esther, we've been searching for God working in the story even though he's not mentioned explicitly. Read Esther 6:1 and consider how the king's inability to sleep triggered a series of events that changed the trajectory of the story. How can we use this to encourage others? What does it tell us about God's works in our world?

As you considered the passage, how did the pride of Haman affect his interactions with others? What key moments in the story did Haman make a foolish choice because of his pride? How can we reject pride and make wise choices?

#### **PUT INTO PRACTICE**

In Esther 6:13 Zeresh states that Haman "will not overcome" Mordecai. This foreshadowing in the story mirrors the foreshadowing that we have in life. Read 1 Corinthians 15:12-28. What does this passage mean? How can we live with hope in light of this passage?