ESTHER

FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS

ESTHER 3-4

Use this Teaching Guide to fill in the spaces below as you watch Teaching Session 2.

1. The King _____ Haman over all the other leaders in the kingdom.

2. Mordecai wouldn't _____ before Haman.

"Bowing before Haman…involved divine worship of a man which is forbidden by God. But the bowing before a superior in recognition of his rank, such as the saluting that goes on in the military, was not prohibited by God. Abraham bowed in courtesy to others. Jacob's family bowed before Jacob's elder brother Esau; Joseph did not stop his brothers from bowing to him in Egypt; Ruth bowed before Boaz; David bowed before Saul. But none of these bowings involved worship. Mordecai followed this command in not giving Divine worship to Haman (Exodus 34:14; Matthew 4:10.)"
- John G. Butler

3. Mordecai refused to give divine _____ to Haman.

4. Haman gained _____ from the King to kill all the Jews in the entire realm.

5. Mordecai _____ at the King's gate.

6. No one could come _____ before the King.

7. Mordecai communicates to Esther that this was the very _____ for which she had been _____ in this position.

8. Esther asked Mordecai to participate in a strict _____ day fast.

9. There is a tension between God's _____, and human _____.

BIG STORY –

1. God sometimes puts us in situations where we must _____ trust Him.

2. When you hit rock bottom, _____ _____, God is there.

3. The enemy has a _____, but God has a _____ already in motion.

4. God raises up people to _____ His will.

LITTLE STORY –

1. Evil _____ when good men and women, do nothing.

2. Esther displayed courage, by being _____ to risk her own life.

3. Esther was _____. If this was her fate, so be it.

LIFE APPLICATION -

1. The God of angel armies stands _____ over His people.

2. In our troubles, He is _____ us.

3. When you can't do _____, bow before the only One who can.

EXTRA NOTES: