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Faces of Easter | Queen Esther

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WARM UP

1. What is the biggest risk you've ever taken?
2. What stood out to you in the character portrayal of Queen Esther?

DIG IN

3. Read King Xerxes's response to Queen Vashti in Esther 1:19-20. How did his military loss in Greece make the king more likely to react this way? Does it help to explain why he forced the most beautiful women in his kingdom to undergo a year of beauty treatments?
4. Read Esther 3:5-9. Talk about how Haman's response to Mordecai compared to King Xerxes' response to Vashti. What causes this kind of "over-compensatory" retaliation?
5. Read Esther 4:9-16. How does Mordecai inspire Esther to risk her own life? What does he help her grasp about her calling that ends up saving thousands of people?

WRAP UP

7. Is there an area of your life where you feel tempted to play it safe, while God may be calling you to take a risk for a higher purpose than survival?
8. How does the Persia's military loss to the Greeks to illustrate how God works behind the scenes in unseen and unknown ways? Do you think that it was intentional to leave the name of God out of this Biblical Book?
9. Is there an area of your life where it's hard to see God at work? What would Queen Esther and Mordecai have to say about that?

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