3. THE _____ OF THE JEWS (v. 22-30)

A. A_____ Day

WHAT MAKES A GOOD HOLIDAY?

- 1. Gladness "from mourning into a good day"
- 2. Feasting "that they should make them days of feasting and joy"
- 3. Gifts "and of sending portions one to another"
- 4. Benevolence "and gifts to the poor"

B. A Dav

REMEMBER THE TRIAL

"Because Haman the son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, the enemy of all the Jews, had devised against the Jews to destroy them, and had cast Pur, that is, the lot, to consume them, and to destroy them;" (Esther 9:24)

REMEMBER THE DELIVERANCE

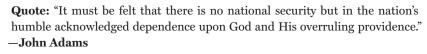
REMEMBER THE SAFETY

"Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath: 18 That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us: 19 Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;" (Hebrews 6:17-19)

REMEMBER THE BLESSINGS

Quote: "Our institutions of freedom will not survive unless they are constantly replenished by the faith that gave them birth." -John Foster Dulles

CONCLUSION





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UPCOMING EVENTS



Thanksgiving Outreach

Sunday, November 20

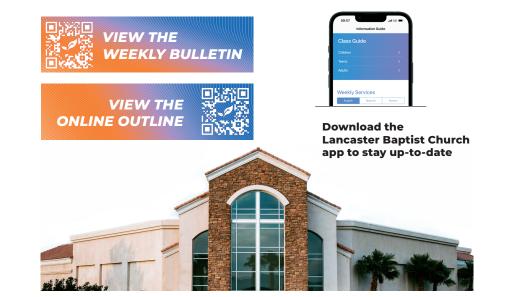
- Text-to-give a \$25 gift card by texting "25 Turkey" to (661) 250-6982.
- Secondly, you can sign up in your connection group or at guest services to deliver a gift bag.



Christmas Presentation

December 10 & 11 | 5 PM

Be inspired through the powerful true story behind the Christmas Carol "I Heard the Bells."





PASTOR PAUL CHAPPELL | NOVEMBER 13, 2022

Title: From Mourning to a Good Day **Text:** Esther 9:1–5, 17–18

"Now in the twelfth month, that is, the month Adar, on the thirteenth day of the same, when the king's commandment and his decree drew near to be put in execution, in the day that the enemies of the Jews hoped to have power over them, (though it was turned to the contrary, that the Jews had rule over them that hated them;) 2 The Jews gathered themselves together in their cities throughout all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, to lay hand on such as sought their hurt: and no man could withstand them; for the fear of them fell upon all people. 3 And all the rulers of the provinces, and the lieutenants, and the deputies, and officers of the king, helped the Jews; because the fear of Mordecai fell upon them. 4 For Mordecai was great in the king's house, and his fame went out throughout all the provinces: for this man Mordecai waxed greater and greater. 5 Thus the Jews smote all their enemies with the stroke of the sword, and slaughter, and destruction, and did what they would unto those that hated them. 17 On the thirteenth day of the month Adar; and on the fourteenth day of the same rested they, and made it a day of feasting and gladness. 18 But the Jews that were at Shushan assembled together on the thirteenth day thereof, and on the fourteenth thereof; and on the fifteenth day of the same they rested, and made it a day of feasting and gladness. (Esther 9:1-5, 17-18)

INTRODUCTION

1. THE _____ OF THE JEWS

A. The King's _____

"Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes, because an excellent spirit was in him; and the king thought to set him over the whole realm." (Daniel 6:3)

BECAUSE THE JEWS WERE NOBLE

BECAUSE OF HIS MISTAKE WITH HAMAN

B. The Queen's Final _

"When a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him." (Proverbs 16:7)

TO HANG HAMAN'S SONS

Quote: "Since the Jews were not the aggressors, it means that the ten sons of Haman had taken up arms and attacked the Jews, and all ten of them were slain. The bodies of the ten sons were hanged on Haman's gallows as a warning to the enemy...The sight of ten corpses on Haman's gallows would certainly deter the Persians from attacking the Jews and would result in the saving of lives." —**Warren Wiershe**

TO CONTINUE ERADICATING THE ENEMY

C. The Jews

2. THE _____ **OF THE JEWS** (v. 17, 20-22)

А.

"When it goeth well with the righteous, the city rejoiceth: And when the wicked perish, there is shouting. 11 By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: But it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked." (Proverbs 11:10–11)

TWO KINDS OF REST

1. Spiritual Rest in Christ

"There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. 10 For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his." (Hebrews 4:9-10)

"Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." (Matthew 11:29–30)

2. Physical Rest

"And he said unto them, Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while: for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat." (Mark 6:31)