

Taking The Risk

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Esther 4:1-17

Esther lived a life of comfort. She hid her true identity, but now her people–God's people–were in danger. Because of her position, she appeared to be the only one who could intervene. To be silent would mean to be safe; to speak might mean to sacrifice herself, but it might also save thousands of God's chosen people and His eternal plan. Esther decided to "do the right thing." Later generations saw God's fingerprints all over this incident, and her story is retold every year during the Jewish feast of Purim.

Watershed moments come to us all. Usually, we do not choose them. Suddenly, we are faced with complicated situations that hold great potential, great danger, and real risk. These are the moments that define and display who we truly are.

Our choices will probably not be as historical as Esther's. We must pray daily that in each of our areas of influence we will have wisdom, commitment, and courage to be and to do what is needed for those around us and for God's kingdom.

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