

## God Behind The Scenes

### Description

Esther 6:1-6

King Xerxes realizes Mordecai hadnâ€™t been rewarded for saving the king from Bigthana and Tereshâ€™s assassination plot (vv. 2-3).

The irony of the story deepens when King Xerxes asked Haman, who hated Mordecai, what the king should do for â€œthe man the king delights to honor.â€• Haman thought the king was referring to him, not Mordecai. Haman couldnâ€™t seem to imagine that anyone could be more worthy of the kingâ€™s honor than himself (v. 6).

Much of this story can be chalked up to coincidence. It just so happened that the king couldnâ€™t sleep, so he ordered that the record of his reign be brought into his bedchambers and read to him. It just so happened that the very passage was read mentioning Mordecai foiling the assassination plot, so that the king was predisposed to honoring Mordecai as Haman came to seek the kingâ€™s permission to execute Mordecai.

Yes, it all seems rather coincidental or maybe, just maybe, God, the one who created the universe, was working behind the scenes to accomplish His purposes.

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