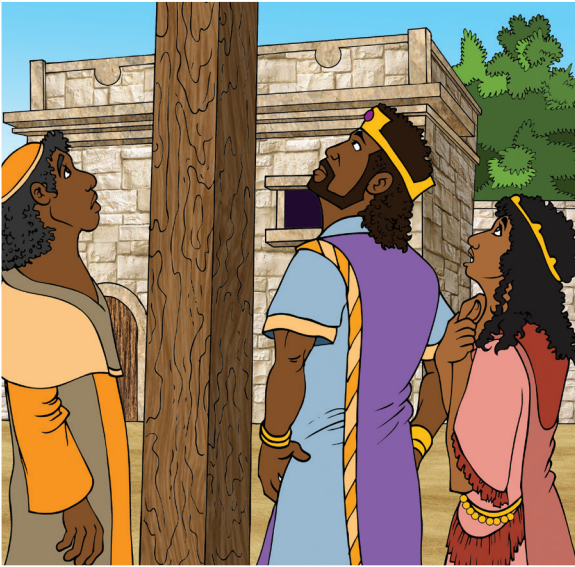


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Key Verse:

King Xerxes asked Queen Esther, "Who is he? Where is he—the man who has dared to do such a thing?" (Esther 7:5)

Punished for Doing Wrong

As the king and Haman were drinking wine at Queen Esther's banquet, the king asked her what she wanted. He loved her so much that he would give her half his kingdom, if that is what she wanted.

Queen Esther told him that she wanted her life and the lives of her people to be *spared* (saved). She told him that there were people who would kill them. King Xerxes [Zerk-sees] demanded to know who would do this. Esther told the king that Haman was responsible. Haman became frightened as he stood before them. The king became angry and went out into the palace garden.

Haman begged Queen Esther for his life. He fell on the couch where Queen Esther was sitting. When the king returned, he thought that Haman was attacking the queen right in front of him! The king's attendants covered Haman's face.

Harbona, one of the king's servants, told Xerxes about the gallows that Haman had built in his courtyard. Haman wanted to hang Mordecai on them. Mordecai was the man who had saved the king's life.

Instead, the king ordered that Haman be hanged on the gallows he had set up for Mordecai.



What a Bad Attitude!



While at Burger Place, Tyree waited patiently in line beside his parents for it to be their turn to order.

"Move out of my way!" someone yelled from the back of the line. It was a mean-looking man pushing his way through the crowd of people.

"I'm in a hurry, so I get to go first. You can go after me," the man shouted at the line of people behind him. He was even rude to the people behind the counter and did everything he could to get his meal for free. Tyree was so angry that he did not know what to do!

Just as Tyree's father started to place their order with the lady behind the counter, they all heard a shout from outside. When they looked, they saw that the rude man had tripped and dropped his entire order onto the sidewalk!

Embarrassed, the man got into his car and drove away. All that negative attitude and he did not even get to eat his food!

When it was their turn to order, Tyree saw how calm and kind his father was and decided not to let his anger toward the situation make him act like the other guy.

Exploring the Story in Ruby's Lab



Hello, everyone! Ruby here! Is there ever a time to treat others poorly? When you witness mistreatment or if it happens to you, how do you feel? Sometimes it seems that those people get what they want without ever facing punishment! Is there ever a good time to be rude?

We all know how to treat people nicely and we should go out of our way to be kind and fair to others. While we might not know it, those people are only hurting themselves—and when their punishment comes, it will be fair!

Match the Sentence Parts

Connect the first part of each statement in Column A with its matching ending in Column B by drawing a line between the two.

Column A

1. Haman had set up
2. Queen Esther only wanted
3. Haman became frightened and
4. The king became angry and
5. The king ordered that Haman be hanged

Column B

- a. on the gallows that he had built to hang Mordecai.
- b. went out into the gardens.
- c. gallows in his courtyard.
- d. her life and her people's lives to be spared.
- e. pleaded with Queen Esther for his life.



Word Finder

Circle all the words found in today's Key Verse. Then write the complete Key Verse on the lines below.

do a woman dog no
has asked is to
King Esther
the man hello
Xerxes funny thing
he is what Who
who what Queen
serious dared he such
Where thing

_____, " _____ ?

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