



We Reap What We Sow

Leaders Tips

Commit to Growth

Read Esther 7

- 1. Pretend you are directing a scene in a movie about Esther. How would you set up this scene? What would you want to portray?**

Try to help the members of your group get into each character's shoes. Perhaps even take time as a group to act this out!

- 2. Name all the truths that were previously hidden, but get revealed in this chapter.**

This is the point in the story where everything comes out into the open. Esther's nationality is revealed. King Xerxes finds out the identity of this unnamed people group Haman wanted to destroy. Haman's true character is revealed.

- 3. Explain how the law of "you reap what you sow" is at work in the ironic events of this story.**

This chapter is a good reminder to us all that our evil deeds will come to light and we will face the consequences of those deeds.

The irony in this story is that Haman ends up being executed by the very gallows he had prepared for Mordecai. In addition, a Jew uncovers Haman, which is one of his enemies. Finally, Haman begs Esther for his life (a great offense) and Esther who believed she might die, will be honored.

- 4. What impresses you most about Esther?**

No right answers. However, topics to discuss might be her courage, her wisdom, her faith, her patience, and her diplomacy.

- 5. Realizing that we reap what we sow, ask yourself: What kinds of seeds are you sowing? How large of a crop am I planting?**

Here's your application question based off the message. Quote this and then ask each member to consider what sort of seeds they are sowing: *Sow a thought and you reap an action; sow an act and you reap a habit; sow a habit and you reap a character; sow a character and you reap a destiny.*

- 6. In what area of your life do you desire more wisdom? Where would you like more boldness?**

Considering Esther's life, personalize how her example could lead you to change.