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King Ahasuerus

Scripture Reading: Esther Chapter 1

Ahasuerus was the King who reigned over one hundred and twenty-seven provinces from India to Ethiopia. He made a feast for all his officials and servants, powers of Persia and Media, the nobles, and the princes of provinces before him and showed them all the riches of his glorious kingdom and the splendor of his Excellency. Queen Vashti also made a feast for the women in the royal palace which belonged to King Ahasuerus. When King Ahasuerus was merry with wine, he ordered that the queen Vashti be brought before the king in her royal crown in order to show her beauty to the people and the officials, for she was beautiful to behold. Queen Vashti refused to come at the King's command, therefore the king was furious and burned with anger. The king called his advisors and asked them what should be done to Queen Vashti. The advisors counseled him that the Queen who disobeyed the King's command and despised the husband's plea be removed from her royal position and that place to be given to another who is better than her.



“The King and the Queen had a disagreement and they departed their ways!” This is not the story of the book of Esther. It is just the beginning. If we read the book till the end we can see the divine plan of God in allowing this to happen. We will look into it deeper in the coming days. Dear children, in all that we read above, can we see any good qualities in King Ahasuerus? No! We see him drink and being merry, proud, overcome by anger, etc. Such characters should be never found in the lives of God's children. Such traits will completely destroy the joy and peace of our life. It will create a breach between you and God. Satan seeks such doors to enter into your life and destroy family relations. Therefore, if our relatives and friends are having such sinful habits, let's earnestly pray for them daily.

“Awake, you drunkards, and weep; And wail, all you drinkers of wine, because of the new wine, For it has been cut off from your mouth.” Joel 1:5

Prayer:

Most Holy Heavenly Father, just as you forgive our sins, forgive the sins of others. Make us Holy just as You are Holy. In Jesus name we pray. Amen

