



Series: Esther

Title: Faithful Action is Sustained by Wise Speech

Scripture: Esther 5

2025 Theme Scripture: Romans 1:16-17 (ESV) *For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."*

March Scripture Memory: Proverbs 16:18 (ESV) *"Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall."* **1 Peter 5:6 (ESV)** *"Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so at the proper time he may exalt you."*

1. Wise Speech is Well Timed (vs. 1-5)
 - a. Acting wisely & PATIENTLY
 - b. Approaching with PLEASANT POSTURE
 - c. Coming SPIRITUALLY PREPARED

Warren Weirsbe - "One of the greatest needs in the church today is for intercessors who will pray faithfully for a lost world and for a church that desperately needs revival."

2. Wise Speech is Well Placed (vs. 6-9)
3. Wise Speech is Humbly Quiet (vs. 10-13)
4. Wise Speech gives God Glory (v. 14; Prov. 16:18; 1 Peter 5:6; Psalm 7:14-17)

It is Amazing how much our speech flows from our identity.

Our Identity is often wrapped up in our position or our background - it was in the story of Esther, but a couple of characters' identity was transformed.

1. Xerxes - thinks and speaks like a demi god - his identity is TOTALLY wrapped up in his position.
2. Haman - he is constantly speaking from identity issues - he associates power and position with identity - "LOOK WHO I GET TO EAT WITH... THE KING AND QUEEN."
3. Mordecai - identity had been hidden, child of God but wanted to be part of the world - until he settled his identity as a child of God.
4. Esther - orphan, adopted by Mordecai, Persian/Jew - then she understands WHO SHE IS in GOD. She is a child of GOD.

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“The things that have happened to us might explain us/how we got somewhere, but they don’t define us.”

We speak from our identity. We can’t speak wisely until we understand our position in Christ: Child of the KING. Inheritor of the righteousness of God. (Heb. 4:14)