

**Bible Story 129**

**ESTHER PLEADS  
FOR HER PEOPLE**

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“When Mordecai perceived all that was done, Mordecai rent his clothes, and put on sackcloth with ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and cried with a loud and a bitter cry;” **ESTHER 4:1**

“So Esther’s maids and her chamberlains came and told *it* her. Then was the queen exceedingly grieved; and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take away his sackcloth from him: but he received *it* not.”

**ESTHER 4:4**

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## MEMORY VERSE:

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## UNDERLINE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

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## TRUE OR FALSE:

2. "And in every province where the king's command and decree arrived, there was great mourning amongst the Jews, with fasting, weeping, and wailing; and many lay in sackcloth and ashes." ESTHER 4:3  
**TRUE OR FALSE**
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**TRUE OR FALSE**

## CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORDS:

4. Esther sent back to Mordecai, "All the king's servants and the people of the king's provinces know that any man or woman who goes into the inner court to the king, who has not been called, he has but one law: put all to (BED, DEATH), except the one to whom the king holds out the golden scepter, that he may (LAUGH, LIVE)." ESTHER 4:11

## FILL IN THE BLANKS:

5. "Then Mordecai told them to answer Esther: 'Do not think in your heart that you \_\_\_\_\_ escape in the king's palace any more than all the other Jews. For if you remain completely silent at \_\_\_\_\_ time, relief and deliverance \_\_\_\_\_ arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house \_\_\_\_\_ perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as \_\_\_\_\_?' " ESTHER 4:13-14

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6. "Then Esther told them to return this answer to Mordecai: 'Go, gather all the Jews who are present in Shushan, and (FAST, CRY) for me; neither eat nor drink for three days, night or day. My maids and I will (CRY, FAST) likewise. And so I will go to the king, which is against the law; and if I perish, I perish.' " ESTHER 4:15-16

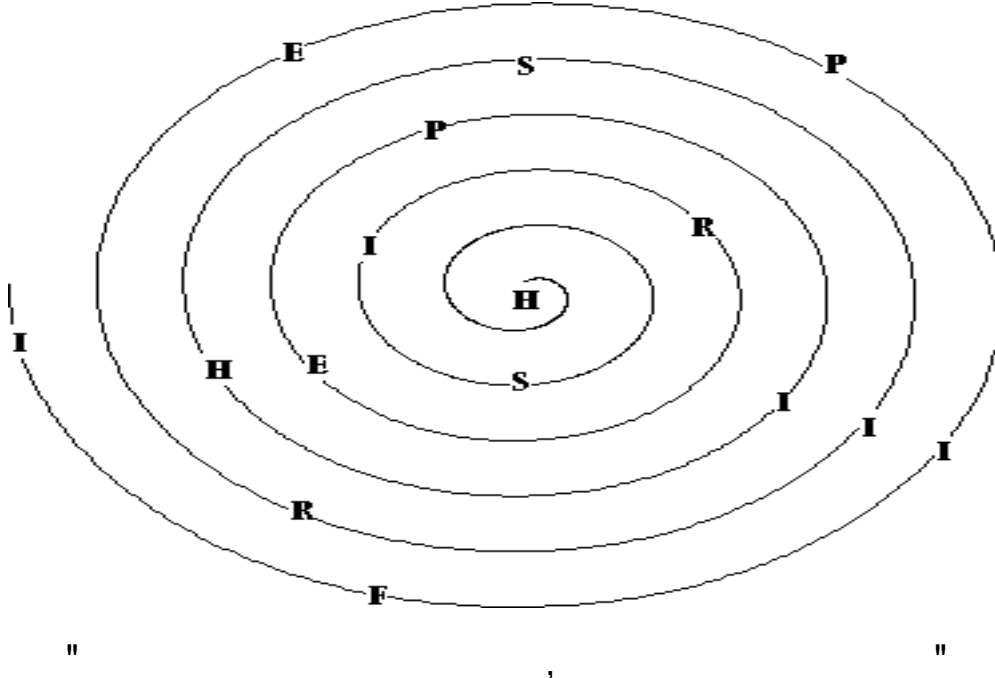
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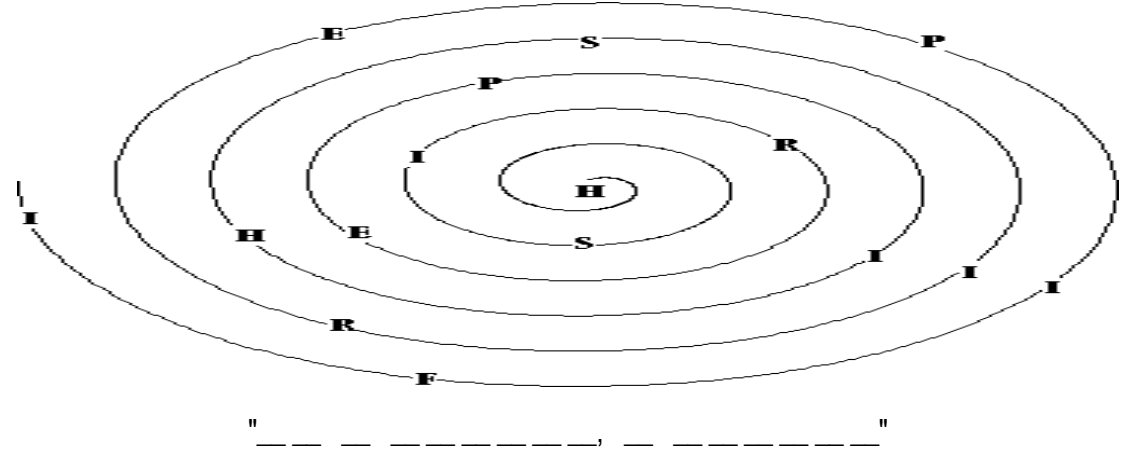
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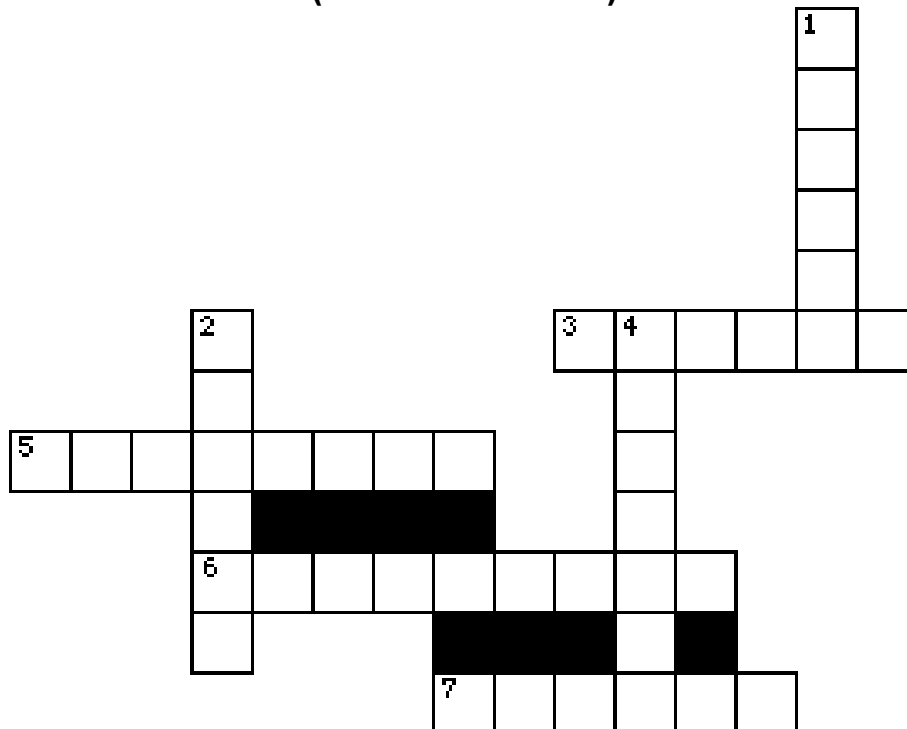
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