

Title | Post Mordy

Series | IN SPITE OF MYSELF

Text | Esther 10:1-3 By | Bob Kerrey Date | June 18, 2017

**Esther 10:1** King Ahasuerus imposed tax on the land and on the coastlands of the sea. **2** And all the acts of his power and might, and the full account of the high honor of Mordecai, to which the king advanced him, are they not written in the Book of the Chronicles of the kings of Media and Persia? 3 For Mordecai the Jew was second in rank to King Ahasuerus, and he was great among the Jews and popular with the multitude of his brothers, for he sought the welfare of his people and spoke peace to all his people. ESV

## Big Idea:

#### Text questions during the sermon: 623-850-8809

# Sermon Notes

#### **Esther 10:3**

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## For Reflection & Application:

### Monday:

• To commemorate all their positive reversals recorded in the book of Esther, the Jewish people created a holiday called Purim. The word, "Purim" means lots or dice, and is tied to Haman's use of dice, explained in Esther 9:24-25. In light of Proverbs 16:33, is there a deeper significance to this name? If so, what is it, and why might it be cause for celebration?

#### Tuesday:

• In the book of Esther, God's name is never mentioned. Why do you think this is so? Does this have something to do with God's presence or absence?

#### Wednesday:

• Providence can be defined as the way God brings about his intended outcomes both in spite of and through the actions of sinners. How do you see God's providence in the book of Esther? Is providence a kind of divine hijacking? How does providence make you feel?

### Thursday:

• Read Esther 10:3. How would you describe Mordecai's leadership style based on this verse?

#### Friday:

• As a leader or father, specifically how can you build up your people? What could you do right now? Why not do it?

#### Esther 10:3

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