

Preparing for Worship

Highland Baptist Church of Hickory, NC

The Lord's Day

November 21, 2010

Ways to Use This Worship Preparation Page

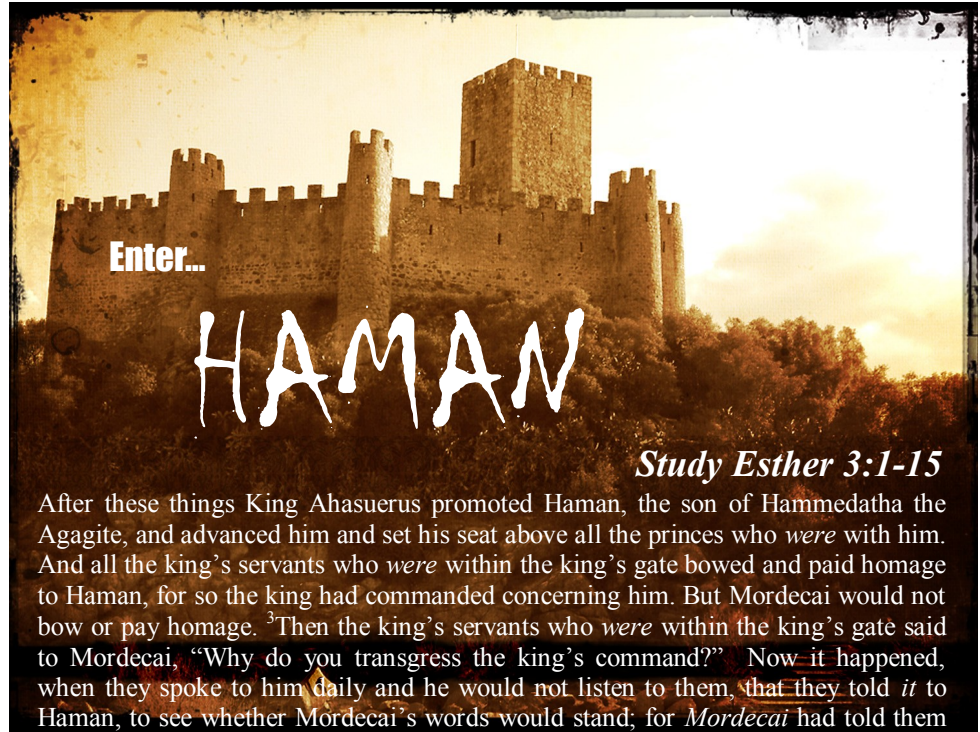
Print it out on Thursday or Friday and take it home. Put it in your Bible as a reference for Sunday.

Use it as a **family devotion** on Saturday.

Use it as a **personal devotion** on Sunday morning.

Give it to a guest you are inviting to come to the services this weekend.

-Pastor Jesse



After these things King Ahasuerus promoted Haman, the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, and advanced him and set his seat above all the princes who *were* with him. And all the king's servants who *were* within the king's gate bowed and paid homage to Haman, for so the king had commanded concerning him. But Mordecai would not bow or pay homage. ³Then the king's servants who *were* within the king's gate said to Mordecai, "Why do you transgress the king's command?" Now it happened, when they spoke to him daily and he would not listen to them, that they told *it* to Haman, to see whether Mordecai's words would stand; for *Mordecai* had told them that he *was* a Jew. When Haman saw that Mordecai did not bow or pay him homage, Haman was filled with wrath. But he disdained to lay hands on Mordecai alone, for they had told him of the people of Mordecai. Instead, Haman sought to destroy all the Jews who *were* throughout the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus—the people of Mordecai.

So the king took his signet ring from his hand and gave it to Haman, the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, the enemy of the Jews. And the king said to Haman, "The money and the people *are* given to you, to do with them as seems good to you." And the letters were sent by couriers into all the king's provinces, to destroy, to kill, and to annihilate all the Jews, both young and old, little children and women, in one day, on the thirteenth *day* of the twelfth month, which *is* the month of Adar, and to plunder their possessions.

(*Esther 3:1-6, 10-11, 13*)

Pray for our Leaders this week...

Preaching

Pastor Jesse Lott

Leading Prayer

Denis Rainey
Doug Patterson

Scripture Reading

Pastor Jesse
1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

Music

Kenny Robison
Worship Choir
Praise Team
Instrumentalists

Children's Worship

Charlie Sisti
Children's Worship Staff

Technical Crew

SOUND—Scott Maynard
VIDEO—Jonathan Nanney



*For this is the will of
God, your sanctifica-
tion: that you should
abstain from sexual
immorality;
1 Thess. 4:3 NKJV*

2 PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

What will we be singing on Sunday?

"Come, Ye Thankful People Come"

"He Has Made Me Glad"

"Count Your Blessings"

"Thank You, Lord"

"Come Just As You Are"

"Only Trust Him"

I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables. But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

-1 Timothy 4:1-7NKJV



Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

*Come, ye thankful people, come;
Raise the song of harvest home;
All is safely gathered in
Ere the winter storms begin.
God, our Maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come;
Raise the song of harvest home.*

*All the world is God's own field,
Fruit unto His praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade, and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be.*

*For the Lord our God shall come,
And shall take His harvest home;
From His field shall in that day
All offenses purge away.
Give His angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store
In His garner evermore.*

*Even so, Lord, quickly come
To Thy final harvest home;
Gather Thou Thy people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin.
There forever purified,
In Thy presence to abide.
Come, with all Thine angels come;
Raise the glorious harvest home.*

Granted...

**We're not all farmers,
nor do all of us even
know what the agricul-
tural "harvest" is all
about.**

**This is a song about
the harvest – the "soul
harvest." It is a call to
all believers to cele-
brate the reality of the
care and providence of
Almighty God.**

**It moves forward to
show the plight of the
nonbeliever and the
eternal reward of the
saved.**

**A song about harvest
time? You bet it is!
Agrarian style!**
