



# CREEDMOOR ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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## This Sunday at CRBC

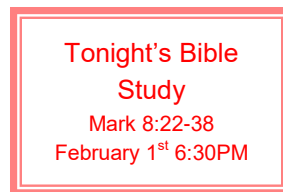
What do you demand in life? In 1 Samuel 8, the nation of Israel demanded to have a king like the surrounding nations. What they failed to realize is that God himself was their king. This Sunday, CRBC Pastor Danny Estave will show that like Israel, when we make demands to suit ourselves, we too are rejecting God as king.



Join us this Sunday at 11AM to figure out *Who Is Your King?* (also on YouTube).

## Wednesday Night Bible Study Is Back

WNBS returns Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30PM in the CRBC library. Pastor Danny will continue through the Gospel of Mark, chapters 8-16. The study will continue through March 22<sup>nd</sup>.



## For Such a Time as This

In last week's *Gospel Project* lesson, we studied from the book of Esther, and read how Esther was placed in a very influential position "for such a time as this." Just what did those words mean and how do those words affect us today?

Scriptures tell us that Esther was a beautiful young virgin selected by King Ahasuerus to be the new Queen of Persia. Sometime later, the king gave Haman the Agagite a great honor, commanding the officials at his gate always kneel in Haman's presence to pay him homage. Mordecai, a Jew who raised Esther and worked at the gate, refused to bow down to Haman. Mordecai's non-compliance to this order made Haman so furious that he sought to destroy all of Mordecai's people, the Jews, obtaining the king's permission to carry out this genocide.

In response, Mordecai was distraught, mourning greatly in sackcloth and ashes. He sent word to Queen Esther to go to King Ahasuerus and beg for mercy on behalf of the Jews, who were her people as well. As scripture reveals, this would be a difficult task. Esther had not made it known to anyone that she too was a Jew. She was reluctant to approach the king because it was against the law to come before the king without an invitation on fear of death.

***For if you remain completely silent this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this? - Esther 4:14***

Mordecai was asking Esther to risk her life for her people. He convinced her that if she did not approach the king, the two of them would surely die. He also told her that perhaps, she had come to her royal position for "such a time as this." So Esther approached the king, she was well received, the mass killings were thwarted, and she was an integral part of God's plan and purpose for the Jewish people.

As the experience of Esther shows us, God uses people to fulfill His purposes, and He has instruments of deliverance and victory. "For such a time as this," God calls ready, brave, committed, obedient individuals who will step out in faith to help accomplish His work. In Esther's day, the duty to save a nation fell to her and God gave her all she needed to accomplish the task.

In our day, God has done the same for us; whatever the task He assigns, if we are only willing, He can and will use us in many "such a time as this" moments. We may never have the power and influence of Esther, but it is no accident that God has placed each of us in the time, the position, and the place where He wants us, to step out in faith in order to fulfill His will "for such a time as this."

## The Numbers from Last Sunday

There were 35 in worship last Sunday. Giving totaled \$1,820.

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## Birthdays

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## Prayer Requests

- Pray that God will make you aware of the calling that he has on your life, and that God will give you an obedient heart to that calling.
- Pray that God will make clear ways that you can serve the church to further his kingdom.
- Pray that God will give us boldness to speak out against the sin we see in our lives and in the church.

*To have individual names added to next week's prayer list, please share them with Pastor Danny Estave. His contact information is on page 1 of this newsletter.*

### This Week

#### Sunday, February 5

10:00am The Gospel Project  
*For Look, the Day Is Coming:  
**A Interceding Cupbearer**  
Nehemiah 1-7*

11:00am Sunday Worship Service  
*The Life of David:  
**Who is Your King?**  
1 Samuel 8  
Pastor Danny Estave  
(Also on YouTube)*



#### Wednesday, February 8

6:30pm Wednesday Night Bible Study  
*Mark 9*

### Upcoming Weeks

#### Sunday, February 12

10:00am The Gospel Project  
11:00am Morning Worship Service

#### Tuesday, February 14

*Valentine's Day*

#### Wednesday, February 15

6:30pm Wednesday Night Bible Study

#### Sunday, February 19

10:00am The Gospel Project  
11:00am Morning Worship Service

#### Monday, February 20

*President's Day*

#### Wednesday, February 22

6:30pm Wednesday Night Bible Study