

In Perilous Times, Remember And Declare Who You Are!

1 Peter 2:9 *But you are a chosen people, **a royal priesthood**, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;*

Esther 1:6 *There were curtains of fine white and violet linen held by cords of fine purple linen on silver rings and marble columns, and couches of gold and silver on a mosaic floor of porphyry, marble, mother-of-pearl, and mineral stones.*

Esther 1:13-14 *Then the king said to the wise men who understood the times—for it was the custom of the king so to speak before all who knew law and justice and were close to him, namely, Carshena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarshish, Meres, Marsena, and Memucan, the seven princes of Persia and Media who had access to the king's presence and sat in the first place in the kingdom—*

1) They were princes.

- 1 Timothy 6:14-15 ¹⁴ *that you keep the commandment without fault or reproach until the appearing of our **Lord Jesus Christ**, ¹⁵ which He will bring about at the proper time— He who is the blessed and only **Sovereign, the King of kings** and Lord of lords,*
- John 1:12 *But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become **children of God**, to those who believe in His name,*

2) They sat in the first place in the kingdom.

- Ephesians 2:6 [God has] *raised us up with Him, and **seated us with Him** in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,*
- Colossians 3:1 *Therefore, if you have been raised with Christ, keep seeking the things that are above, **where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.***

3) They had access to the king's presence.

- Ephesians 2:18 *for through Him we both have our **access in one Spirit to the Father.***
- Speaking of Jesus Ephesians 3:12 says, *“in whom we have **boldness and confident access through faith in Him.**”*

4) They were in close relationship with the king.

- John 15:15 *No longer do I call you slaves, ...but I have called **you friends**, ...*

5) These were men the king listened to.

- 1 John 5:14-15 ¹⁴ *This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.* ¹⁵ *And if we **know that He hears us** in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.*

6) They were men who knew law and justice. (Knowledge)

- Rules and how to administrate them
- Romans 15:14 *And concerning you, my brothers and sisters, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, **filled with all knowledge** and able also to admonish one another.*
- 1 Corinthians 1:4-6 ⁴ *I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given you in Christ Jesus,* ⁵ ***that in everything you were enriched in Him**, in all speech and **all knowledge**,* ⁶ *just as the testimony concerning Christ was confirmed in you,*

7) They were wise men who understood the times (Wisdom)

- They didn't just have knowledge but had wisdom as how to apply their knowledge of law and how to administrate for their specific time and circumstance.
- 1 Chronicles 12:32 *From the sons of Issachar, **men who understood the times, with knowledge of what Israel should do**, their chiefs were two hundred; and all their kinsmen were at their command.*
- 1 Corinthians 1:30 *But it is due to Him **that you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God**, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption,*

Declaration:

I am royalty and I am seated in the first place in the Kingdom of God. I have access to the King of King's presence and He calls me friend. I have the ear of the King and I abide in kingdom knowledge and wisdom.