

Unite

For Such A Time As This

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Series Thread: In times of UNCERTAINTY, God calls His people to CLARITY.

Message Thread: We are the Church. It's CLEAR that we're here for others.

Text: Esther 4:14 NLT *"Who knows if God has brought you here for such a time as this."*

Background: Set about 60-70 years after Daniel's death; the empire is now being ruled by the Persians.

Esther 3:12-15 NLT

Esther 4:1-3 NLT

Esther 4:7-17 NLT

Insights from Esther:

- Esther, Mordecai, and all of God's people felt the weight of the uncertainty of this moment.
- We can see Mordecai and Esther's response to it. It's suffocating and leaves them feeling desperate and grasping for any help.
- She felt the uncertainty of the moment she was in and was paralyzed with fear.
- Esther and Mordecai were not paralyzed for long; God's clarity came quickly.

Clarity:

- Rallies people to itself.
- Stiffens our resolve to do the hard things, sacrificial acts.
- Gathers courage to itself.
 - It's right to ask, "How will this affect me and my family?" It's just not the ONLY right question. The Spirit of God also draws us toward asking, "How will I SERVE my neighbor?"
 - CLARITY gives us the courage to take what steps are in our power to take.
 - Esther did what she could and trusted God for the rest.
 - God used Esther to serve the great need of many people by her willingness to offer what she had in service to God and His people.
 - Esther did not have certainty before she acted, but she did have clarity that the risk of loss for so many was immanent, and she had something that could potentially serve many.

Clarity for Heights Church.

1. Our vision – People experiencing God.
2. Our mission – Empowering people to live as fully devoted followers of Jesus.
3. Our Core Values – The Bible is our source... We choose a culture of grace and truth... Loving God and others is what drives us.

Challenge: In an uncertain world...

Church-wide vision: “For such a time as this.” Let’s embrace our mission together as we look to close the 20% gap.

- Why? COVID has created uncertainty, but we have CLARITY.

Personal Vision: Let’s UNITE and experience God together through our prayer challenge for the next 40 days.

- Why? Because this world offers uncertainty, but God’s presence brings CLARITY.

Prayer Card: Provision to fulfill the vision of people experiencing God through Heights Church. What step of faith will I take to fulfill the vision of people experiencing God? **My 3 for Easter.**

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