# GOD'S MASTERPIECE

## Lesson 2 God's Plan Begins to Unfold

Esther 1:1-7, 2:1-4

#### IN REVIEW...

- A. What was **going** on in Israel?
- B. What do we **learn** about God?

#### WHO WAS THE KING?

- A. What were his **priorities**?
  - 1. What did he **have**?
  - 2. What did he **do** with what he **had**?
  - 3. What were his **motives**?
  - 4. What can I learn?
- B. What was his **request**?
  - 1. What were his **motives**?
  - 2. What was the **response**?
- C. What are some **lessons** we can **learn**?
  - 1. How does this **relate** to Ephesians 5:22?
  - 2. What is the **balance**?
    - a. What is my attitude?
    - b. What **questions** should I **ask** myself?
    - c. How do I <u>respond</u> in a <u>godly</u> way?
    - d. My choices—will they affect others?

#### GOD'S PLAN BEGINS TO UNFOLD.

"God specializes in turning the mundane into the meaningful." Charles Swindoll

- A. What was the time frame?
- B. What is the **plan**?
- C. How <u>did</u> God <u>use</u> it?
  - 1. God uses ordinary **people**.
  - 2. God uses ordinary events.
  - 3. God is not hindered by the **secular**.
  - 4. God is not hindered by immorality.
  - 5. God is not hindered by our **hardship**.

"God moves among the casseroles."

Howie Stevenson

### IN SUMMARY...

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose."

Romans 8:28