Old Testament Bible Heroes

An Old Testament Musical Play

(for mixed voices and drama groups of all ages)

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A collection of 15 songs based on Old Testament text with skits, dialogues and narratives

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Musical Arrangements include: Lyrics, Melody and Chord Symbols (lead sheet format)

Optional skits may be performed in costume throughout the play accompanying the songs, narratives & dialogue.

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Preface

As a Christian schoolteacher, I had a deep desire to teach Scripture to children sequentially and in a memorable way. My first idea was to gather together all the children's songs about Bible stories and arrange them chronologically. When I had finished this task, I had only a small handful of songs.

At that time, reasoning that the God who had enabled a donkey to speak could use me to write songs, I began to pray that He would use me to tell History. I had virtually no knowledge of music or songwriting, but the donkey, after all, had not studied Hebrew, and so I began. When I prayed for help with music, arranging, and recording, Will Goldstein joined me in the project. I thank God for carrying me through.

> In His Name, Jeanne Brickman



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How To Produce This Musical

Old Testament Bible Heroes can be produced very simply on a small stage or platform, which would be available in most schools and churches. It has actually been performed without a stage. In the productions that I have directed, we only used basic lighting. If available, occasional spot lights may be used, as desired, for the skits, dialogues, etc. I have always used 3 to 4 microphones in conjunction with the orchestral sound trax, which were played through a sound system. It is possible, however, to produce this with as little as a boom box, or to play the music live on a piano, keyboard or guitar, using the lead sheets. If available, a drummer and bass player may be added, making a contemporary rock band. There are no vocal harmonies; the music is simple, appropriate for group singing or solos, if desired. This musical contains a total of 23 narrations and dialogues of various lengths which may be performed by a series of chosen narrators. Most are interspersed throughout the book, but three of them are included as a prelude on the lead sheets with the songs. The songs including narration are "God's Creation", "God's Top Ten", and "Joshua and the Promised Land." Skits (actions during songs and narratives) are optional.

Costumes are a major consideration in producing this play. They may be simple, for example, bath robes & bed sheets, or more elaborate, such as hand made or purchased costumes. Most characters require only a robe and head covering. A few characters may need more specialized costumes. For example, God could be dressed in a white robe and head covering, & Satan might wear a red sweat suit. Adam & Eve may wear beige sweat suits. Kings and queens would likely wear red or purple robes & crowns. Pharaoh might wear a knee length, short sleeved robe & triangular head dress. Samson could wear a long sleeved beige pullover shirt stuffed with "muscles," or a sleeveless or one shouldered robe. Delilah would wear bright colors, gold or silver jewelry, and exaggerated make up, with no head covering. Young David might wear a knee length robe, which was a shepherd's dress. Goliath might dress more like Samson with armor. The Witch of Endor, whom Saul went to visit, would be dressed in black. If animals are desired during "God's Creation" and "Noah's Ark," they may be dressed in sweats and masks. Animals may also dance during the songs.

Props include a wig for Samson, and a "bald head" following his hair cut. Crowns for royalty may be purchased inexpensively, or made from gold or silver tinsel or pipe cleaner. An apple, and possibly fig leaves could be used for Adam & Eve. Baby dolls may be used as Rachel's and Leah's children. Goliath will need armor & weapons, such as a spear and sword, and David a sling shot. Various characters could carry swords or spears during certain scenes, such as when David's sons are fighting & killing one another.

The entire production takes slightly less than one hour. It is appropriate for school plays, presented during school hours, or as an evening performance at the school or a local church.

Worship Services, Sunday School and CCLI

All songs in this musical also have ccli #'s, and are licensed to be used in church services for congregational singing. The scores are marked with suggestions such as "opt.- solos" and "all sing" (congregation). Information concerning CCLI and licensing for congregational worship can be found on page 45.

Old Testament Bible Heroes

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Genesis 1-2

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As Sound Effects begin a chosen narrator reads: "The earth was without form, and void. There was darkness over the deep. God's Spirit hovered over the waters, and God began to speak." G Em F G7 С G7 Am = 100 opt.- solo on verses G F С С Am Em G7 • The The words, placed The God spoke fourth, the "Let light!" light ap - peared. there be first day, the the He the and sun, moon, stars up īn sky. world He'd looked that good. The up _ on the made, and saw it was E C С G7 С G Em Am The The sec - ond day, He formed the sky, the clouds and at - mos-phere. third, He gath-ered wa-ters and di fifth, He made the the birds to sixth, He made the an - i - mals that fish swim, and all fly. to just one sev - enth day, tree, He warned them for food. The God set a - side fruit of not to eat а G7 С С F G7 All Sing C 0 And Then vid - ed lands and seas, cre His flow and trees. then a ted ers, grass, im - age, worked and God walk up - on Sab - bath day God made the the land; cre the in а ted man. Six He sev blessed. days called of rest. enth <u>F</u> Ç <u>C</u> <u>G</u> B F G С Am7 С F G7 С Е heav - ens in all their glo - ry. The sun, the moon, the stars He hung in space. And all cre rit. 2nd time 3rd Time To Coda <u>G</u> B E C 1. Am7 F G С С G7 С 18 a - tion shall sing His prais - es. How beau - ti-ful God made His dwell-ing place! The F C ^{2.} C F G7 Am Em С C 0 place! С G7 G Am Em F G7 С G7 € Coda D.S. G7 С С 31 С place! How beau-ti-ful God made His dwell-ing place! God © 2008 The King's Court www.thekingscourt.com

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(3 min.)

SIN

(Genesis 3:1-5)

But then, Sssatan, in the form of a ssserpent, Looking for sssomeone to desssceive, Ssslithered noiselesssly through the garden; Then he ssset his eyesss upon Eve.

"Did God really sssay," hisssed the ssserpent, "That you mussst not eat from every tree? "If you have knowledge of good and evil, "God knowsss you'll be as wissse as He."



CAIN AND ABEL

(Genesis 4)

Then two sons were born to Adam and Eve; Their names were Abel and Cain. Cain killed his brother Abel; Caused Adam and Eve still more pain.

Because of his sin, God drove Cain away. Now both of their sons were gone. God sent them a third son, Seth, So they would not be so alone.

People continued in sin unrestrained, And evil grew worse and worse.God warned, "I'm sending the rain." And floodwaters covered the earth.



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AFTER THE FLOOD

(Genesis 6:5-6)

But after God stopped the pounding rain, Families began populating the plain. Soon there were many who began to believe, They no longer needed their God to achieve.

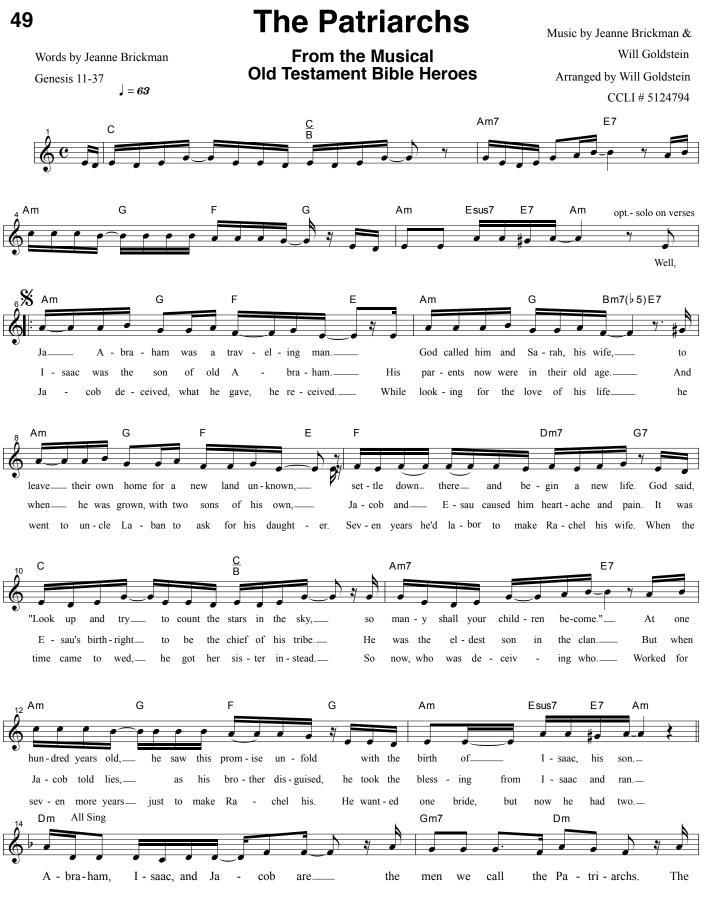
THE TOWER OF BABEL

(Genesis 11)

At the Tower of Babel, men started to dabble, In things that would lead into trouble. They were building a tower as a sign of <u>their</u> power, So God turned their tower to rubble.

They forgot to be humble, so they bumbled and fumbled, And sometimes they mumbled and grumbled. God said, "I'll change their language, and it will cause anguish, "When they see their proud tower tumble."

As they followed their plans — not God's, but man's, The words came out sounding like jabber! Their language was jumbled, their great tower crumbled, And man went from proud boast to blabber.





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JOSEPH

(Genesis 37-50)

(Dialogue)

- 1. What happened then?
- 2. Jacob became the father of many children.
- 1. Well, that's good!
- 2. No, not so good. All the children were being born to Leah, Rachel's sister. Rachel was miserable.
- 1. Oh, that's bad.
- 2. Not so bad. Rachel finally had her first son, and named him Joseph.
- 1. Well, that's good!
- 2. No, not so good. Remember, Rachel was the only wife Jacob ever wanted, and Joseph was her only son. Jacob loved him more than his brothers.
- 1. Oh, that's bad.
- 2. Well, not for Joseph. Jacob gave him a coat of many colors, like tribal chieftans wore.
- 1. Well, that's good!
- 2. No, not so good, because his brothers were really jealous.
- 1. Oh, that's bad!
- 2. No, not so bad. Joseph still loved his brothers. He took them food when they were away tending the flocks.
- 1. Well, that's good!
- 2. No, not so good. They were so jealous and angry that they wanted to kill him.
- 1. Oh, that's bad!
- 2. No, not so bad. They changed their minds.
- 1. Well, that's good!
- 2. No, not so good. They decided to sell him as a slave instead.

- 1. Oh, that's bad!
- 2. No, not so bad. He became a servant in an official's house who trusted him and put him in charge of everything.
- 1. Well, that's good!
- 2. No, not so good. The official's wife told a lie about Joseph and had him thrown into prison.
- 1. Oh, that's bad!
- 2. No, not so bad. He interpreted some dreams in prison. Pharaoh heard about it and sent for Joseph to interpret a dream for him.
- 1. Well, that's good!
- 2. No, not so good. The dream meant that Egypt was going to face a food shortage.
- 1. Oh, that's bad!
- 2. No, not so bad. The Pharaoh put Joseph in charge of all Egypt to prepare.
- 1. Well, that's good!
- 2. No, not so good. Egypt was prepared, but the people in neighboring countries didn't have enough food. That's where Joseph's family lived.
- 1. Oh, that's bad!
- 2. No, not so bad. His brothers went to Egypt because they could buy food there.
- 1. Well, that's good!
- 2. No, not so good. They had to buy the food from Joseph, the brother they had sold into slavery.
- 1: Oh, that's bad!
- 2: No, not so bad. Joseph forgave them and brought them down to Egypt to live with him. God took care of His people.
- 1&2: Yeah! That's good!

EGYPT

(Exodus 1-2)

But when a new Pharaoh came into power, It was the Hebrews' darkest hour. He forced them to work as slaves, And they cried to their God to be saved. He killed all their baby boys, And robbed their hearts of joy. But one child was hidden away, Who would lead out his people one day.

Moses & Pharaoh

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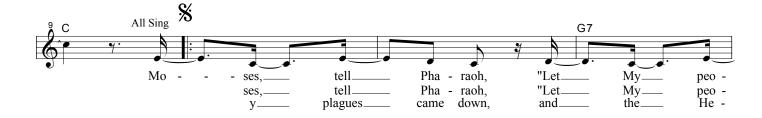
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God's Top Ten

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Exodus 20-32:19

Read immediately prior to song:

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"But after they crossed the Red Sea, right away, Moses saw, God's people were living in sin; so God laid down the law!" J = 126 swing beatF Dm7 $\frac{\text{Dm7}}{\text{C}}$ Bb Gm7 C7





 Num-ber two is leav-ing i - dols a - lone;
 nev - er wor-ship gods of sticks and
 stones!

 Num-ber six is be - ing cool;
 just chill,
 'cause I'm tell - ing you you must not
 kill!

 Num-ber ten, you must-n't cov - et more;
 learn to be con-tent with what is
 yours.



IN THE DESERT

Exodus 32-34 and Numbers 10-27

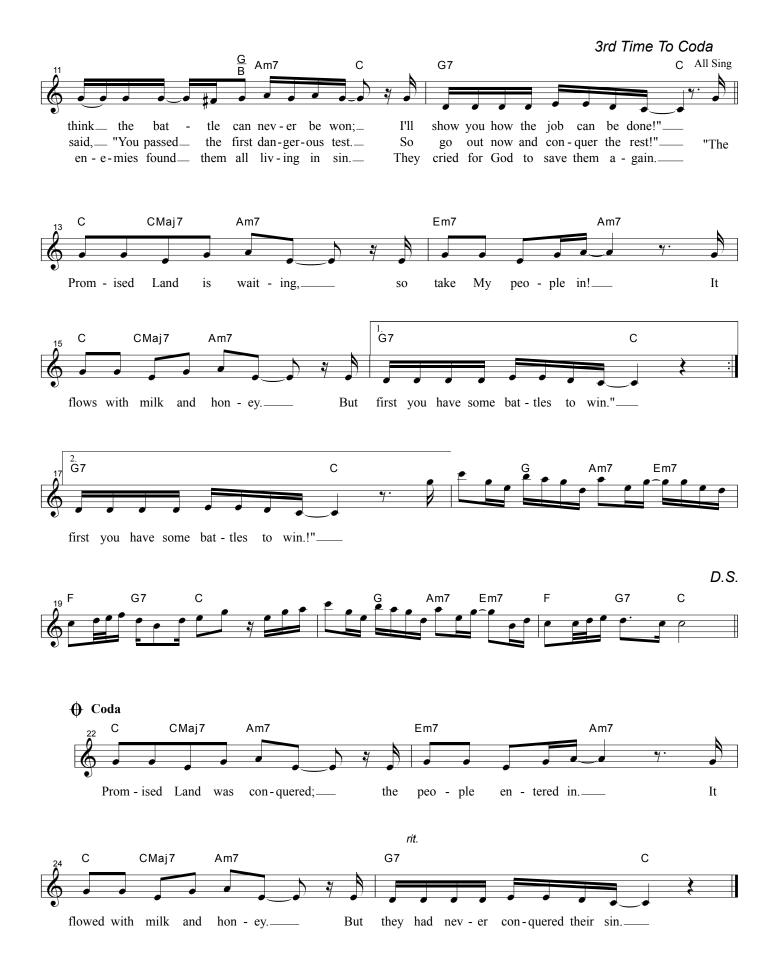
(Dialogue)

- 1: What happened next?
- 2: Moses came down from the mountain and found the people worshipping.
- 1: Well, that's good!
- 2: No, not so good. They were worshipping a golden calf. Moses was furious! He threw down the stone tablets and broke them!
- 1. Oh, that's bad!
- 2: No, not so bad. God wrote the commandments again on new stone tablets, and the people promised to obey.
- 1: Well, that's good.
- 2: No, not so good. They complained about everything! They even wanted to go back to Egypt, so they'd have enough food.
- 1: Oh, that's bad!
- 2: No, not so bad. God sent them manna to eat, and all they had to do was to gather it every day.
- 1: Well, that's good!
- 2: No, not so good. They wanted to stone Moses because they couldn't find water.
- 1: Oh, that's bad!
- 2: No, not so bad. God had once told Moses to strike a rock for water. Now God told Moses to speak to a rock and water would flow out.
- 1: Well, that's good!
- 2: No, not so good. Moses was so angry that he disobeyed God and struck the rock twice instead of speaking to it. God would not let him enter the Promised Land.
- 1 & 2: O0000 that's bad!

Joshua & The Promised Land

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JUDGES

(Judges 3:4)

But that was the trouble that Israel had. For a while they'd be good, but then they'd be bad. They'd turn to God, then they'd turn back away, And there was always a price to pay.

> Each time the Philistines would attack, God sent a leader to drive them back. Each time God's people fell into sin, The enemy would return again.



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SAUL

(Samuel 7-31)

As Samuel grew old and neared the ending of his days, The Hebrews looked around them, and they saw the heathens' ways. They said, "We have only judges, but they have royal kings. "We want to be just like them, so give us the same things."

God said, "First warn the people, and then grant them their request; "Soon enough, they'll understand God's way would have been best." Samuel anointed a young farmer known as Saul. He appeared to be a nice young man, handsome, smart, and tall.

But Saul, they soon discovered, would not obey the Lord. God finally sent Samuel to deliver a harsh word: "God gave you the kingdom and expected you to serve Him. "Now He'll give His kingdom to another, more deserving."

Saul did not repent, but this warning seemed to chill him. When David won God's favor, Saul set out to kill him. For Saul remembered well the words that Samuel had said. David could not take his kingdom, Saul knew — if he were dead!

But God kept David safe, because God's will always wins, And Saul was soon to pay a fearsome price for all his sins. Saul had never listened to the warnings from the Lord, But Samuel was dead now, and Saul prayed for a word.

God neither answered him in prayer, nor came to him in dreams. To get an answer, Saul embarked upon a Godless scheme. The Philistines were coming, and Saul was filled with fright. He went out to see a witch in the middle of the night.

She tried to summon Samuel, and then cried out in fear, And Saul would quake in terror at the words that he would hear. Saul would have to pay now the utmost sacrifice. Continued disobedience would now cost him his life.

The man who never listened when God had sent a word, Was wounded so in battle that he fell upon his sword. A tragic learned, when the Spirit of God departs; The kingdom went to David, a man after God's own heart.





DAVID'S SONS (II Samuel 11-24, I Kings 1-5)

David's sons, it's sad to say, Did not follow in God's way. There was one great sin in David's life: He had a man killed to marry his wife.

Because of that sin, David was told, Violence would fall on his own household. When a man of that day committed a crime, He had to repay his victim — four times!

He took Bathsheba as his bride, But then their firstborn baby died. David had failed to correct his sons, And the sins they committed left him undone.

His daughter was attacked by her brother, And then one brother killed another. And before he was killed, it's sad but true, He tried to kill his father too!

At David's death, one of his sons, Killed another to protect the throne that he'd won. The price for his sin, his children's blood shed, Was now paid in full — and four sons lay dead!

If he could do it over, I'll bet you he would. Another man's wife might not look so good. And if he could start over again as a dad, The rod of correction might not seem so bad.

SOLOMON (II Chronicles 1-10)

Solomon, the son of David, rose to Israel's throne. When God asked what he desired, he prayed for wisdom alone. He asked not for long life or wealth, and the Lord, his God was pleased. He said, "Not only wisdom, but great riches and honor receive." But Solomon married foreign wives — where was his wisdom then? He was striving to secure the kingdoms built by men. He took 700 wives, and 300 concubines too! If ONE woman can cause trouble, what could 1,000 do?!

Solomon built the temple of God, a wonder of its day, But of course, his foreign wives began to lead his heart astray. He built temples to their gods, and worshipped with them, too! God said, "Since you took your heart from Me, I'll take My kingdom from you."

Solomon's son, Rehoboam, succeeded him as king. Israel's Assembly came to him, the peoples' requests to bring: "Your father made us work too hard, and our taxes were too high. "Lighten our load and lower our taxes; we'll wait for your reply."

Rehoboam met with the elders to ask them what to do. "Be kind to your servants," they told him, "and they'll be loyal to you." Then he sent for the friends of his youth to see what they would say. "You're the ruler of the land," they said. "Lay down the law today!"

Rehoboam foolishly did what his hot-headed friends advised. By taking advice from fools, he barely escaped alive! Ten tribes refused to serve him; they followed Jereboam. Only Benjamin and Judah remained with Rehoboam.

It's hard to be a king if you have no one to rule. Solomon's Proverb wisely states that a hot-headed man is a fool.

PROPHETS AND KINGS

Well, the kings came, and the kings went: Some were Godly men; Others worshipped idols, And led people into sin.

God sent His prophets to the kings, But they were not well received. They warned of the price of rebellion, But very few believed.

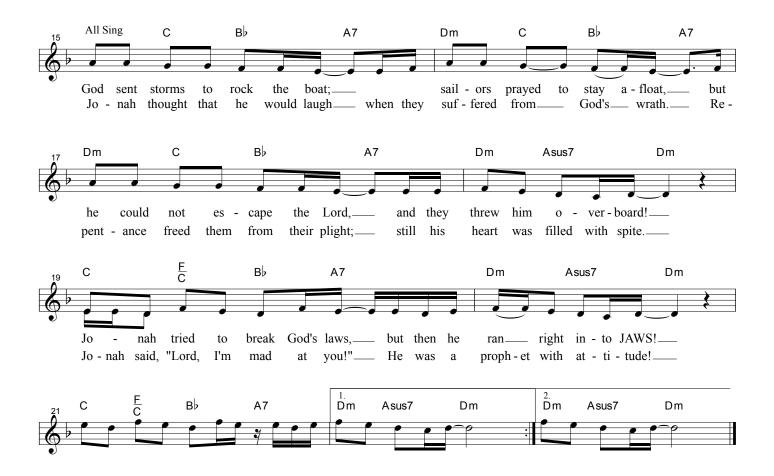
They were despised, outcast, and rejected; They were told they didn't belong. They were persecuted and ridiculed, BUT THEY WERE NEVER WRONG!!

Jonah & The Whale

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JEREMIAH AND ISAIAH

(Jeremiah and Isaiah)

Jeremiah and Isaiah, Warned the people, "Stop your sin! "Turn back to God and pray for mercy. "Repent and worship Him again."

But the people wouldn't listen. They waited until judgment came. They went to Babylon as captives, With their heads bowed low in shame.

The Fiery Furnace

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HANDWRITING ON THE WALL

(Daniel 5)

Belshazzar gave a banquet, and a thousand nobles came. Also his wives and concubines, as a tribute to his fame. As they became drunk with the wine, Belshazzar said to them, "Let's drink from the golden goblets that we took from Jerusalem."

As they drank from the goblets of gold, taken from Judah's temple, Everyone in the banquet hall began to shake and tremble! The fingers of a human hand were writing on the wall! Belshazzar's knees were shaking so hard, no one could stop his fall.

He called for all of his wise men, but none could read a word. His mother said, "Call for Daniel, whose wisdom comes from the Lord." "Daniel," he cried, "read this writing, and tell me what it means; "I'll make you a ruler in Babylon, third only to the kings!"

Daniel said, "I'll read the words written by this hand, "But after tonight, Belshazzar, your kingdom will not stand. "Mene, mene, tekel, uparsin: Your reign is at an end. "You have been judged and found lacking the wisdom to govern men!"

"This night, your kingdom is given to the Persians and the Medes. "This night, Belshazzar, you will answer for all your wicked deeds!" That very night, King Belshazzar of Babylon was slain; That very night, King Darius, the Mede, began to reign.

Daniel & The Lions' Den Music by Jeanne Brickman &

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ESTHER

(Esther 1-10)

Esther was a beautiful Persian queen, but no one ever knew, That she was raised by her cousin, Mordecai, and Mordecai was a Jew. Every day at the palace gate, Mordecai could be seen, Where he would come to sit and wait for a word from Esther, the Queen. One day, he overheard a plot that caused him some alarm: Teresh and Bigthan were planning to cause the king mortal harm! He thought he should send a warning of this threat to Xerxes' life, So he sent word to Esther, his cousin, the king's new wife. Now, Xerxes was very grateful that Mordecai saved his life, But even Xerxes still didn't know that Mordecai knew his wife. The incident was written down, and the record filed away, And Mordecai continued to sit at the palace gate each day.

Haman was the Prime Minister — a man who was filled with pride. And he of all people did not know that the king had a Jewish bride. When Haman walked down the street, he liked for men to bow down. But Mordecai bowed only to God, and that caused Haman to frown! So in order to get even, Haman knew just what to do: He devised an evil, wicked plan to kill every Persian Jew. But first, he had a gallows built on which to hang Mordecai. The next day, he planned to convince Xerxes that Mordecai should die.

But the king was not able to sleep that night, and he called for a scribe to read, The records of his kingdom, and they read about Mordecai's deed.
"Stop!" cried the king when he heard it. "Has he received a reward?" The scribe read the record and answered, "Nothing at all, my lord."
When Haman came the next morning, Xerxes asked, "What should be done, "To reward someone who has pleased me?" Haman thought, "I'm the one!
"Why, let him wear the king's own robe and sit on the king's own horse, "And shout his praises in the streets, where all would hear it, of course." For all the while, Haman was thinking, "Surely, it must be I!" But Xerxes replied, "A good idea! Go do that for Mordecai!" Haman thought he'd better abandon his plan to hang Mordecai; Esther saw Mordecai from her window, and his face looked sad and drawn; He was wearing sackcloth and ashes; clearly, something was wrong! Esther sent down a messenger to bring her back a word, But when he returned and relayed it, she could not believe what she'd heard! Every Jew in the country would die by Persian hands, And the Persian men who killed them could keep their goods and lands. To visit the king unbidden could cost a person his life, And Esther was no exception, even though she was his wife.

For three days, no Jew ate or drank; all of them fasted and prayed, And Esther prepared to visit the king after the third day.
She called for her attendants, "Help me to dress, if you would.
"Although I might die, I'll go to the king looking as a queen should." She stepped into the throne room, unbidden by the king.
Xerxes looked up in amazement; then he smiled at his beautiful queen. She said to her husband, "I came to request that you,
"Attend my banquet tomorrow. And please, bring Haman too." Haman was filled with pride; he wanted the world to see, That the only two guests at the banquet would be the king he. The next night at the banquet, Xerxes asked his lovely wife,
"What is the reason you asked me here?" She answered, "To plead for my life!"

"To plead for your life?" Xerxes asked her. "Who would dare to try to harm you?" "This evil man, Haman!" she answered. "He wants to kill every Jew!" Haman was stricken with terror! He never could have known, That the fate he had planned for others would be his very own. So Haman was hanged on the gallows, and Mordecai took his place, And that's how God used Queen Esther to save the Hebrew race. Had Haman not been so prideful, he possibly could have recalled, That pride goes before destruction; a haughty spirit before a fall.

RETURN AND RECONSTRUCTION

(Ezra 1-10 and Nehemiah 1-13)

(Dialogue)

- 1: So did the Jews ever go back to their homeland, or did they just stay in Babylon?
- 2: The Jews had started over in Babylon, with new homes and jobs.
- 1: Well, that's good!
- 2: No, not so good. A lot of them still wanted to go back home.
- 1: Oh, that's bad!
- 2: No, not so bad. King Cyrus said they could go back if they wanted to, and quite a few did.
- 1: Well, that's good!
- 2: No, not so good. The place was a mess!
- 1: Oh, that's bad!
- 2: No, not so bad. They went right to work rebuilding the temple. Men from nearby towns even offered to help.
- 1: Well, that's good!
- 2: No, not so good. The Jews couldn't let them help, because they worshipped false gods. So they got mad and tried to stop the building.
- 1: Oh, that's bad!
- 2: No, not so bad. Each man kept his weapon with him while he worked. When the enemies saw that they couldn't win, they went home, so the temple got finished.
- 1: Well, that's good!
- 2: No, not so good. The temple was destroyed again many years later by the Romans. That time, it was never rebuilt.
- 1 & 2: O0000, that's bad!

YEARS OF WAITING

(Malachi 3-4)

Malachi brought a final warning, But a glorious promise, too, That God would send a deliverer, To His chosen people, the Jews.

But first, He would send a prophet, To prepare for Him the way, And warn of the coming destruction, To those who disobeyed.

After a long time of waiting, A Baptizer would be sent, To prepare the way for the Savior, And warn sinners to repent.

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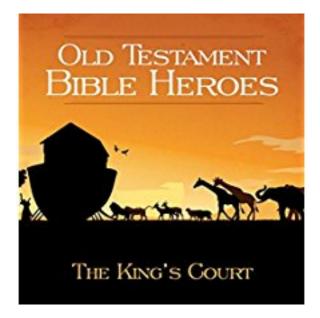
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