

READ IT

This week's Bible story is

Queen Esther

from Esther 2:5-18; 3:1-6; 8:1-17.

God uses people in all kinds of places.

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Esther
- Mordecai
- Haman
- Jews
- Ring

The book of Esther is one of two books in the Bible with a female name. The other is Ruth. Both books are found in the Old Testament.

Read the whole story together in the Bible!

Spark Story Bible pages 152-157

Spark Bible pages 535, 536, and 539-540

Family Prayer

Thank you, God, for brave heroes like Esther. Help us learn to stand up and speak our faith where needed. AMEN.

TALK ABOUT IT



Family Conversations

- 1 What is your favorite family story?
- 2 What stories does our family tell about some of our ancestors who lived long before us?
- 3 As a family, how can we celebrate God's love and care?
- 4 There are still places in the world where groups of people are being hurt by people in power. What can we do for those people?



Eye Spark

When you see a ring, say, "Esther told the king, and Mordecai used his ring."



Ear Spark

Listen for people celebrating this week. Create a celebration sound of your own to use in response.

LIVE IT

For families to do together

Design a family seal or stamp like the king used at the end of the Esther story. You can draw, carve, or print one, or find an existing one that seems to fit your family. What kinds of letters will you send out with your family's stamp?

For younger kids

Stand up for someone this week. When you see something happening that is not right, stand up and say so!

For older kids

Jewish people today still remember the story of Esther. On the internet or at the library, learn about the Jewish celebration of Purim. What parts of the event do you recognize?