



LESSON 6: A Plot Foiled Esther 2:19-23

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Read Matthew 12:17-21.

Why will the Gentiles hope in the Messiah?

Read Romans 5:1-5. Why do we have peace with God?

Is that of our own doing? What have we obtained access to by Christ?

What is the "order of production" from suffering to hope?

How do we know that our hope in Christ and the promise of eternal life is not in vain? (Verse 5)

Read Romans 8:24-25. Why is "hope that is seen" not actually hope? (Might need a dictionary for this one...)

How do we wait for what we hope for?

Does that describe the hope you have, or do you wait with frustration and irritation?

Read John 3:1-6. Can we live for our own desires, our own flesh, and be part of God's kingdom? Why or why not?

Read Romans 6:5-11. What must we die to in order to be set free from it?

When we die to that, what are we alive to?

Read Romans 6:12-14. What are we to present our very bodies to God for?

What might you need to change in your life to stop presenting yourself to the world and sin and start presenting yourself to God?

Knowing where our hope is, knowing how we are to live no longer for ourselves but to glorify Him when we have been remade in Him, consider your attitude and your actions. Spend time with God today and ask Him to reveal where your heart is bent on glorifying yourself instead of

Him, and then repent and ask Him to remove “bent” from your heart. Consider whether you live presenting your body to Him for His purpose, or whether you are living for your own agenda and your own glory.

Ask Him to continue to refine you to be more like Him today, as He continues to sanctify you and draw you closer to Him.