



## Smoky Hill Vineyard

### 05.23.10 GROWTH GROUP QUESTIONS

ESTHER 6:1-13

#### GROUP BUILDER

What do you do when you have trouble sleeping? What kinds of things disturb your sleep?

#### REFLECTION

What new concept or idea about God's favor was highlighted to you during this weekend's message?

#### LARGE GROUP DISCUSSION (*Feel free to utilize one or more of the following questions for discussion.*)

Discuss the results of pride and humility in relation to Esther, Mordecai and Haman. Why does God hate pride? (see Psalm 10:4). Search the following scripture: Proverbs 11:2; Proverbs 15:33; Proverbs 18:12; Proverbs 22:4 for examples of what happens to those who operate in humility.

Would you describe the delay of honor for Mordecai as God's favor? Why or why not?

Read the following verses and discuss how God shows favor in each: Psalm 84:8-12; Proverbs 12:1-3; Proverbs 28:22-24.

#### APPLICATION (In Groups of 2-3)

When you struggle to see God's favor in your life or in the world around you, what effect does that have on you?

Share a time when things in your life seemed to be getting worse, yet you discovered that God was on the move and responded to your prayer.

What hinders you from asking God for favor? Pride? Feeling unworthy? It seems presumptuous? Pray together for God's favor in a specific area of your life, asking for grace to trust that He is working for your good (Romans 8:28; Genesis 50:20).



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