HAMAN'S COLLAPSE THE DELIVERANCE OF ISRAEL, PART 3 (Esther 6:1-14)

- I. The King's INSOMNIA (Esther 6:1-3)
 - A. "The sleep of the king FLED"
 - B. He had the "book of RECORDS" read to him
 - 1. He heard of Mordecai's intervention in an ASSASSINATION plot
 - 2. He learned that Mordecai had not been REWARDED
- II. Haman's AMBITION (Esther 6:4-9)
 - A. The king asked, "WHO is in the COURT?" (6:4*a*)
 - B. HAMAN had come to ask permission to EXECUTE Mordecai (6:4*b*-5)
 - C. Ahasuerus asked what should be done for the man he wants to HONOR (6:6-9)
 - 1. DRESS him in one of the KING'S ROBES
 - 2. MOUNT him on one of the KING'S HORSES
 - 3. Place a royal CROWN on the HORSE'S head
 - 4. Assign a high noble as FOOTMAN to PUBLICLY proclaim his HONOR

- III. Mordecai's HONOR (Esther 6:10-13)
 - A. The king ordered HAMAN to do all of that for MORDECAI (6:10)
 - B. Haman OBEYED the king and HONORED Mordecai (6:11)
 - C. "Then Mordecai RETURNED to the king's gate" (6:12a)
 - D. "But Haman HURRIED home, MOURNING" (6:12*b*-13)
 - 1. He told his WIFE and FRIENDS what "had happened to him"
 - 2. Because Mordecai is a JEW, Haman would "SURELY FALL"
- IV. Haman's HOPE (Esther 6:14)
 - A. The king's eunuchs came to ESCORT him
 - B. He was TAKEN to Esther's BANQUET
- V. Lessons
 - A. God can turn ADVERSITY to GAIN
 - B. "PRIDE goes before DESTRUCTION, And a HAUGHTY spirit before STUMBLING" (Prov. 16:18)
 - C. TEMPORAL honor is FLEETING
 - D. God will PROTECT the JEWS