**Esther**

*God’s Silent Sovereignty*

Chapters 1, 2, 4, 6-8

Handout

* God’s Sovereignty: His supreme power and authority over all creatures, actions and circumstances in accordance with His purposes. *(Proverbs 16:33; 19:21; Isaiah 46:9-10; Romans 8:28)*
  + Miraculous events and timing
  + Mundane actions and decisions of people
* God’s Mundane (silent) Sovereignty:
  + God’s will working right alongside human freewill in the ordinary ways.
    - God can and does work His will through sinful, disobedient people.
  + God’s silence is not absence
* Why is God’s sovereignty important to my life? It’s…
  + Comforting for my suffering
  + Peace for my worry
  + Fearlessness for my future
  + Assurance evil will be punished
  + Empowering when sharing my faith
* **This Week’s Activate Faith**
  + Read the book of Esther
  + Respond to my current circumstances with comfort, peace, fearlessness, assurance or power from trusting God’s sovereignty.