

# Life-Link

## Topic: For Such a Time as This 2 - You don't have much time

### Life- Link Study #37

**Introduction: Read:** Esther 4:1-17

In the first part of this topic, we discussed the importance of realising the purpose for which we have been selected, appointed, chosen or employed in the given area you are in. Our case study was the Queen Esther who was a replacement of Queen Vashti, displaced for not responding and identifying with the call. In this study, we will continue to explore the topic in a slightly different dimension under the subtopic, 'You don't have much time.'

*"For if you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" Vs 14 NKJV*

It is interesting how the above passage promises hope for the Jews whether or not Esther took action. It looks like the action she was prompted to take was for her benefit even though she is the Queen. The same applies today, if we are unresponsive, too shy to take action or to stand for what is right the time will pass us by. For example, a decision you are aware of which could affect others, yet are quiet because we are avoiding labels. Any action one takes today is a seed for the future (Galatians 6:7). If we wait, there is a possibility the urge to take action will wane, as such there is no avoiding the consequences. The same goes for sharing the good news of God's word with colleagues, friends, family, neighbours and even the person you are privileged to sit together on the train. It is not an accident, it is a designed coincidence that you find yourself where you are right now. Act, the time is now!

#### **Q1: Share with the group:**

- I. **An incident in which you felt like taking a positive action, how did the decision to not act make you feel?**
- II. **An incident which you have experienced, where you've taken action that saved the day. How did your action make you feel?**

#### **Q2: Identity two areas in your sphere of contact which may require your support or action?**

Have you ever thought about it that there is a reason you were not born thousands and hundreds of years ago? Have you ever given it a thought that you may not have had the influence you have right now? Now that you are here, you have the freedom to give to the world what you have in your possession, to the betterment of mankind. Be dutiful in all that you do, and articulately live with the determination to succeed in all your endeavours. Arise, shine for your time to act is NOW! So be concerned when things are not going right...count it as a privilege and a duty you owe to the redemption of its victims. Take charge, look out for solution from within you. Don't become compassionate by proxy! Put yourself on the line, because you can cause a change by the power of your direct action.

This conclusion is an excerpt from The TransEdge blog post, *Living for History - The best Period*, March 2010 <http://transedge.blogspot.com.au/>

**Further Reading** – 2 Timothy 4:1, 2, Galatian 6:10.

#### **Prayer**

*Father help me to recognise my purpose and identify the needs around me to take actions that will bring glory to you,, in Jesus Name. Amen!*