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When Esther was faced with the dilemma of going uninvited before the King to intercede for the Jews, she wrestled with her fear. In this story her cousin and guardian, Mordecai, revealed to her a lasting truth. "If you persist in staying silent at a time like this, help and deliverance will arrive for the Jews from someplace else; but you and your family will be wiped out. Who knows? Maybe you were made queen for just such a time as this."

Destiny neither waits nor depends on any one person. God has a plan, He will succeed, and we have a chance to participate. If, however, we choose not to participate, God will succeed anyway, only He will use someone else.

*Prayer for Today*

O God, I do not want to miss the day of my greatest service to You and the blessings for which You have created me. Help me to realize my calling and to stand ready to be used when You call.

*Scriptures for Today*

Esther 4:14 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?" (NKJV)

1 Kings 18:21 And Elijah came to all the people, and said, "How long will you falter between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him." But the people answered him not a word. (NKJV)

