

Esther 7:1-10 **Esther's Second Banquet – Haman Hanged**

Esther's Second Banquet

1 So the king and Haman went to dine with Queen Esther.

2 And on the second day, at the banquet of wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request, up to half the kingdom? It shall be done!"

3 Then Queen Esther answered and said, "If I have found favor in your sight, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me at my petition, and my people at my request.

4 For we have been sold, my people and I, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. Had we been sold as male and female slaves, I would have held my tongue, although the enemy could never compensate for the king's loss."

5 So King Ahasuerus answered and said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who would dare presume in his heart to do such a thing?"

6 And Esther said, "The adversary and enemy is this wicked Haman!"
So Haman was terrified before the king and queen.

7 Then the king arose in his wrath from the banquet of wine and went into the palace garden; but Haman stood before Queen Esther, pleading for his life, for he saw that evil was determined against him by the king.

8 When the king returned from the palace garden to the place of the banquet of wine, Haman had fallen across the couch where Esther was. Then the king said, "Will he also assault the queen while I am in the house?"

As the word left the king's mouth, they covered Haman's face.

Haman Hanged Instead of Mordecai

9 Now Harbonah, one of the eunuchs, said to the king, "Look! The gallows, fifty cubits high, which Haman made for Mordecai, who spoke good on the king's behalf, is standing at the house of Haman."

Then the king said, "Hang him on it!"

10 So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the king's wrath subsided.

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Facts Revealed:

- ✪ Esther is very cautious about making her request, so at the second day of her second banquet at the banquet of wine, the king again asked her request promising to grant it up to half of his kingdom. [\[Esther 7:1-2\]](#)
- ✪ Esther, seeking the king's favor, asked for her life and that of her people, revealing Haman's attempt to eliminate all the Jews in the kingdom. [\[Esther 7:3-4\]](#)
- ✪ The king asked who would do such a thing, and Esther identified Haman as the enemy. [\[Esther 7:5-6\]](#)

- ♣ In his wrath the king went out into the palace garden, and when he returned Haman was fallen across the couch where Esther was pleading for his life. The king said, "Will he also assault the queen while I am in the house?" [\[Esther 7:7-8\]](#)
- ♣ They immediately covered Haman's face, and Harbonah told the king about the gallows fifty cubits high Haman had made to hang Mordecai. The king said, "Hang him on it!" [\[Esther 7:8-9\]](#)
- ♣ So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the king's wrath subsided. [\[Esther 7:10\]](#)