



Outline - Sunday, April 22, 2018

Sermon Title: **The FEAST of PURIM, “Honoring GOD’S Mercy to Us in Christ”**

Scripture Reading: Esther 9:20-32; 10:1-3

1. **The Celebration of Our LOT** – vs 9:1/Ps 16:5/Dan 12:13/1 Peter 1:4
 - a. The evil of a *Sinful decree* acknowledged – Esther 3:7, 13/Rom 6:23a
 - b. The Mercy of a *Sovereign decree* experienced – Isa 54:17/Rom 6:23b
 - c. The *Turning of GOD’S* Omnipotent Hand – Prov 16:33/Esther 9:25

2. **A Decree to Observe Two Days** – Esther 9:20-21
 - a. A Day of RESISTING evil – 13th day – 1 Peter 5:6-10 (By Faith)
 - b. We RESIST In and Through CHRIST – vs 9:2-3/Eph 6:10

3. **A DAY of RESTING from our ENEMIES** – Esther 9:17
 - a. The Rest of His Promise – Gen 5:28
 - b. The Rest of HIS Presence – Ex 23:12; 33:14/Isa 63:14/Jer 31:2
 - c. The Rest of His Power – 2 Chron 6:40-42/Ps 132:8/Rom 1:16-17/
Deut 25:19/Heb 4:10-11/Rev 14:13-14/Is 57:21/Ezek 24:6-18/Isa 53:11-12

4. **The Rejoicing of that REST *the third day*** – Esther 9:18
 - a. Of light, feasting, gladness – Esther 8:15-16/Prov 29:2
 - b. A type of the Table of Christ – 1 Cor 15:3-4; 11:26 “We remember”
 - c. Peace through the greatness of Christ – Esther 10:3/Isa 9:6