## LIFE LESSONS JUST FOR WOMEN STRENGTH AND DIGNITY ON PARADE ESTHER 2:8–20



## The Heart of the Matter

Esther, a beautiful, young Jewish woman, eventually became the queen of Persia—a decision that would later preserve the destiny of the Jewish race. Woven through the book that bears her name are many of the qualities that caused Esther to stand out and find "favor in the eyes of all who saw her" (Esther 2:15). Such a rare blend of beauty and dignity! These qualities still hold our interest today, for now, as then, they cause a watching world to stand up and take notice. All women can be encouraged to follow Esther's example . . . for these qualities are not unique to that one lovely woman.



## Discovering the Way

1. God-Given Strengths Found in Women

God has instilled a variety of strengths in women, including a unique vulnerability in relationships and a special responsiveness to the things of God.

2. Esther: The King's Favorite . . . and Why (Esther 2:8-20)
As one among many beautiful and accomplished women, Esther won over the king of Persia. Six qualities served as the foundation of her character.



## **Starting Your Journey**

As we seek to emulate the qualities of Esther, we need to ask God to cultivate character within us and trust God to control the circumstances around us.

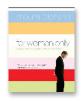




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