



For such a time
AS THIS
— ESTHER 4:14 —

Community Bible Study (CBS)
Esther Study

Bible Study I: Esther 1:1-2:20
“Prominence”

Scripture mentioned is from the NASB 1995, unless otherwise stated.

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I. Historical Background

PLACES TO KNOW:

- What and where was Persia? Who ruled it (earthly)?

- How many provinces of Persia were there mentioned in Esther? Which of the continents did those Persian provinces span or cover?

- Where or what was Susa or Shushan?

I. Historical Background *cont.*

PEOPLE TO KNOW:

- Who was Ahasuerus / Xerxes I?

- Who was Vashti?

- Who was Esther / Hadassah?

- Who was Mordecai? Which tribe of Israel was he from?

ACHAEMENID EMPIRE AT ITS GREATEST EXTENT UNDER DARIUS I



SAME MAP AS UNDER AHASUERUS

Persian empire map 5th century BCE

