## **ESTHER: THE PROVIDENCE OF GOD**

- A. Prologue (1-2)
  - **B.** Royal Decree: Destruction of the Jews (3-4)
    - C. Haman Seeks the Ruin of Mordecai (5)
      - D. "That night could not the king sleep" (6:1)
    - C. Mordecai Sees the Ruin of Haman (6-7)
  - **B.** Royal Decree: Protection of the Jews (8-9)

A. Epilogue (10)

## **ESTHER: GOD'S PROVISION**

- 12 Yrs. Before: MORDECAI SERVES IN THE PALACE
- 9 Yrs. Before: QUEEN VASHTI DEPOSED
- 5 Yrs. Before: ESTHER CHOSEN AS NEW QUEEN
- 1-5 Yrs. Before: MORDECAI SAVES THE KING (His deed recorded, but unrewarded)
  - The Year Itself: THE KING'S SLEEPLESS NIGHT