## The Power of One Esther 3-4 Pastor Phil Winfield May 30, 2010

- 1) One person's **hatred** can doom a nation –Haman
  - a) It is painful to see the wicked **prospering** (3: 9)
  - b) It is discouraging to watch when the wicked are **promoted** (3:1)
  - c) It is scary to imagine when the wicked are **empowered** (3:10-11)
  - d) It is hard to tolerate the when wicked are **prescribing** (3:12-13)
- 2) One person's **vigilance** can arouse a nation Mordecai
  - a) Vigilance will cost you your **anonymity** (3:2-4)
  - b) Vigilance may put you in **<u>ieopardy</u>** (3:12-15)
  - c) Vigilance will awaken you from **apathy** (3:14-15)
  - d) Vigilance will call for true **humility** (4:1-4)
- 3) One person's courage can deliver a nation Esther.
  - a) Courage understands the **issues.** (4:4-9)
  - b) Courage understands the **risks.** (4:10-12)
  - c) Courage understands the **reasons.** (4:13-14)
  - d) Courage understands the **resource**. (4:15-17)

## Remember this

- God has his purposes
- God has his <u>people</u>
- God is **patient**
- God will **prevail**. (Always)

What about me? Remember Mordecai, Remember Esther but also remember **<u>Hathach</u>** and the **<u>maids</u>**.