

LEADER GUIDE LESSON OUTLINE

CONNECTION: God strengthens us to live for Him.

SCRIPTURE: Esther 1–10; Romans 8:28

SUPPLIES TO GET

books and timer for Preview activities

pens, pencils, paper

REMEMBER

“And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?”

Esther 4:14b

PREVIEW

- Use the U3L11 video.
- Do the “strength training” activity.

CONNECT

- Introduce the concept of how God had a special plan for Esther.
- Read the provided Scriptures from the Connect section.
- Focus on the strength Esther relied on to do what she needed to do.
- Guide students to understand they can trust that God has a perfect plan for their lives and that He'll strengthen them for the work He's designed for them.

**Don't forget to*

- use the ZOOM QUESTIONS to go deeper with older/more mature students.
- use the *Student Guides* or the Your View Conversation Cards to let students lead each other through part of the lesson.

EXPLORE

- Instruct students to read the provided Bible verses and respond to the questions.
- Ask students to do the circles activity.

**Don't forget to* use this time for worship together, if desired.

ACT

- Give students some closing thoughts and challenges to take them through the week.

**Don't forget to*

- use the Family Connection materials provided on *Digital Resources* to connect with parents and caregivers about what the students are learning.
- use the Student Connection materials to connect with students throughout the week.