

Esther Part 1: (Leadership Guide)

1. Ask someone to briefly summarize/Any questions about anything you heard tonight? (Encourage your group by leading with any of your own questions and how they might be answered)
2. What is your favorite Chick-flick and why? (Allow the students to drive the stories. If needed, tell your own to get it started)
3. Like the situation with King Xerxes, why do you think it's hard to admit your mistakes and ask for forgiveness? (Again, let the students drive this. If conversation is slow to start, begin with your own response. The main road to lead them down is pride. Pride keeps us from apologizing because we don't want to be known to be wrong.)
4. If you had the riches and fame like Queen Vashti, how hard do you think it would be to give that all up for over a decision you knew to be right? (Take note about who thinks it'd be easy vs. hard. Ask follow up questions as to why they think it would be easy or hard.)
5. What are some practical ways to protect ourselves from "selling out" our honor and dignity? (Talk about ideas like accountability, being rooted in Christ, and surrounding ourselves in a community to help us along the way.)

End

Resolve (Any more questions or things to clarify?)

Restate (Summarize the main points for them in 3 statements or less)

Respond (Pray for them)

