

Week 5 Esther 4:1-9 Managing Mourning

- I. Mordecai Mourns _____.
 - a. Torn Clothes Represent the Tearing of One's _____. (Joel 2:12-13)
 - i. God is close to the _____. (Psalm 34:18)
 - ii. God views our brokenness as a _____. (Psalm 51:17)
 - iii. Christ's earthly ministry begins with the _____. (Isaiah 61:1)
 - b. Sackcloth Represents _____. (1 Kings 20:31-32, 2 Kings 19:1-7, Matthew 11:20-24)
 - i. Submission & humility position us for _____. (James 4:6-10)
 - ii. Submission & humility are _____. (Philippians 2:5-11)
 - c. Ashes Represent _____. (Genesis 3:19)
 - i. Death is the cornerstone of _____. (Romans 10:9-10)
 - ii. Christ's death is the _____ for humankind's sin. (1 John 2:2, Hebrews 9:22)
 - iii. Death is a pathway to _____. (Hebrews 9:23-28, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Philippians 1:21)
- II. Mordecai Mourns _____.
 - a. Mourning Reveals True _____.
 - i. Access to Normal Connections is _____.
 - ii. Sincere Relationships are _____.
 - b. Mourning Shouldn't be _____, But, it's also Not _____.
 - i. Open mourning can lead to _____. (Matthew 5:4)
 - ii. Open mourning is a form of _____. (Lamentations 3:19-33)
- III. Mordecai Mourns _____.
 - a. Unrestrained Emotions - The Emotions that Accompany Mourning Should be _____. (Psalm 6:6, 42, 80:4-5)
 - b. Unrestricted Emotions - Times of Mourning Don't _____.
- IV. Mordecai Mourns _____.
 - a. Mordecai's Mourning is _____.
 - b. Mordecai's Mourning was _____.
 - c. Mordecai's Mourning was _____.