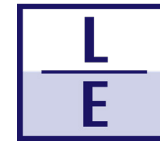


Praying for The Ukraine



Lake Effect
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Divine Reversal
Part 1: A Call to Pray

February 27, 2022

“We cannot profess our solidarity with those who are oppressed when we are unwilling to confront the oppressor.”

Henri Nouwen

Purim

Esther 9:28 NLT

These days would be remembered and kept from generation to generation and celebrated by every family throughout the provinces and cities of the empire. This Festival of Purim would never cease to be celebrated among the Jews, nor would the memory of what happened ever die out among their descendants.

“Deliverance means the oppression is broken, the curse is reversed, and the door to your destiny is open!”

Robert Heider

Immutable Decrees (Cannot be changed)

Esther 4:14 NLT

If you keep quiet at a time like this, deliverance and relief for the Jews will arise from some other place, but you and your relatives will die. Who knows if perhaps you were made queen for just such a time as this?"

The only thing that can thwart an immutable decree is another decree issued by a higher authority.

Esther

Esther 4:16 NLT

And then, though it is against the law, I will go in to see the king. If I must die, I must die.

Esther 7:6 NLT

Esther replied, "This wicked Haman is our adversary and our enemy." Haman grew pale with fright before the king and queen.

New Decree

Esther 9:1 NLT

So on March 7 the two decrees of the king were put into effect. On that day, the enemies of the Jews had hoped to overpower them, but quite the opposite happened. It was the Jews who overpowered their enemies.

God's Decree

Jeremiah 29:11

I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.