Esther: An Introduction And Commentary

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Esther. (31-1) Introduction. Esther’s beauty was such that it could catch and hold the eye of an oriental emperor accustomed to being surrounded by loveliness. Combined with physical charms were qualities of spirit that revealed that she had inward beauty as well. The qualities were loyalty, love, and dedication. Instructions to Students. Use Notes and Commentary below to help you as you read and study the book of Esther. Complete Points to Ponder as directed by your teacher. (Individual-study students should complete all of this section.) Notes and Commentary on Esther. (31-2) Esther 1:1-12. Who Was King Ahasuerus? Introduction to the Old Testament, 1087. The epilogue in Esther 10:1-2 is understood to be a reference to his death like those in the books of Kings and Chronicles. 10 Ibid., 1097-98. 11 John A. Martin, Esther, in The Bible Knowledge Commentary, 699. 12 R. K. Harrison. Introduction to the Old Testament, 1088. 13 Ibid., 1090. Hill and Walton affirm that analysis of the Hebrew language used in the book indicates that it is older than the second century B.C. (Andrew E. Hill and John H. Walton, A Survey of the Old Testament, 238). This is because the Greek additions were already in the LXX (second ESTHER RESOURCES Esther Commentary, Sermon, Illustration, Devotional. Chronological relationship of ezra-nehemiah-esther. 538-515BC. The rejection of a Gentile queen, the choice of Esther, and the finding of the records led finally to the exaltation of Mordecai and the sparing of the Jewish race. Providence is not blind fate. The word "providence" means, "foresight coupled with activity."
Each chapter (Joshua through Esther) includes an introduction and commentary based on three lenses: ancient context, the interpretative tradition, and contemporary questions and challenges. The Historical Writings introduces fresh perspectives and draws students, preachers, and interested readers into the challenging work of interpretation. PUBLISHER’S NOTE About the Fortress Commentary on the Bible Study Editions. (pp. vii-viii). DOI: 10.2307/j.ctt1b3t7h6.3. Start by marking â€œEsther: An Introduction and Commentaryâ€ as Want to Read: Want to Read savingâ€¦ Want to Read. This is a commentary designed for laypeople, Sunday School teachers and the like who have limited knowledge of this work on which the Jewish holiday of Purim is based. As with most of the Tyndale commentary series, the introduction is both easy to understand and informative. I wasn't aware, for instance, of the various editions of the book of Esther that have circulated or that the Old A fine short commentary that covers the historicity, literary style and various versions of the book of Esther. This is a commentary designed for laypeople, Sunday School teachers and the like who have li
Introduction to Esther. I. Name of the book. A. It is named after the Persian Queen of the day. C. Esther's Hebrew name may have had a similar sound to the following Persian words: 1. star (Persian root, possibly because of the shape of the myrtle blossoms). 2. Ishtar (Queen of Heaven, cf. (the last two possibilities are from Joyce Baldwin, "Esther," Tyndale OT Commentaries, p. 60). II. CANONIZATION.