

MESSAGE NOTES | MARCH 3 2019



Elizabeth Cole, Connecting
CBE: p. 480-541
NIV: Nehemiah p. 333
Esther p.344
Daniel p. 613

It's been said that "life happens while you're making other plans"...we've all been there: When what you thought was next, isn't. So then what?

Chronologically

Daniel:

Esther:

Nehemiah:

Truths

1. Despite all appearances, **God** is in **control**.
2. The **enemy** is at **work**, as well.
3. Your **story** isn't **over**.
4. You have **experienced** the **greatest reversal ever**.

THE ONE THING: **Yes, you were born for such a time as this.**

Miss something? Completed sermon notes are available online. Binders to organize your sermon notes are available at the upstairs Welcome Desk.

NEXT STEPS

- Memorize Daniel 7:14.
- Where have you seen God's providence in your life? Tell someone.
- Finish CBE this week.
- Other _____



Hey, it's our last week of reading big, reading real, reading together through The Writings of the Old Testament. Great job!

This week, we'll wrap up the Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah narrative and move to the book of Esther, a fast-moving narrative of events that occurred to Jewish exiles in Persia. The final book of our 2019 CBE journey is Daniel, which employs two types of literature: narrative and apocalypse. The book served (and serves) to encourage God's people to persevere in their loyalty to the true Ruler over the earth and His covenant...and to trust that He is in control.

Source: "Invitation to Esther," p. 501; "Invitation to Daniel," p. 517.

JOIN THE CONVERSATION

Think of your weekly discussion group as more of a book club than a Bible study. All you have to do is share your responses to five simple questions:

1. What's something you noticed **for the first time**?
2. What **questions** did you have?
3. Was there anything that **bothered** you?
4. What did you learn about **loving God**?
5. What did you learn about **loving others**?

WORSHIP LYRICS

If you'd like to spend more time with the lyrics from any of the songs this morning, please click on the song title below to continue worshipping.

- [Alive in You](#)
- [The Lion and the Lamb](#)
- [Glory is Yours](#)
- [Open Up Our Eyes](#)
- [Your Love Never Fails](#)