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1. Now it came to pass on ותלבש השלישי מלכות אסתר ותעמד ורהר ביום רחצר the third day, that Esther put eshlishi uthlbsh asthr mlkuth bium uthomd **bchtzr** uiei on [her] royal [apparel], and stood in the inner court of and-he-is-becoming in-day the-third and-she-is-putting-on Esther kingdom and-she-is-standing in-court-of the king's house, over against the king's house: והמלך המלך המלך על בית הפנימית נכח בית יושב **%**DD and the king sat upon his hith emlk ephnimith nkch hith emlk uemlk iushb οl ksa roval throne in the roval the-inner house, over against the gate the-king the-king and-the-king house-of opposite house-of sittina throne-of on of the house. מלכותו בבית המלכות נכח פתח הבית mlkuthu bbith emlkuth nkch phthch ebith kingdom-of-him in-house-of the-kingdom opposite portal-of the-house ² And it was so, when the המלך המלכה ורהר כראות ZX. אסתר עמדת כחצר נשאה חן king saw Esther the queen krauth emlk ath emlke omdth bchtzr uiei asthr nshae chn standing in the court, [that] she obtained favour in his and-he-is-becoming as-to-see the-king Esther the-queen standing in-court she-obtained grace sight: and the king held out to Esther the golden sceptre בעיניו המלך לאסתר ירושט ЯR שרביט הזהב אשר בידו that [was] in his hand. So Esther drew near, and touched the top of the boiniu uiusht emlk lasthr ath shrbit ezeb ashr bidu the-king in-eyes-of-him and-he-is-waving-to-and-fro in-hand-of-him to-Esther scepter-of the-gold which sceptre. ותקרב ותגע אסתר ロペココ השרביט brash eshrbit uthqrb asthr uthgo and-she-is-approaching Esther and-she-is-touching in-top-of the-scepter ³ Then said the king unto ויאמר לה לד המלכה אסתר חצר 3 המלך מה ומה בקשתך עב her, What wilt thou, queen emlk lk asthr emlke chtzi uiamr le me ume bashthk od Esther? and what [is] thy request? it shall be even and-he-is-saying to-her the-king what? Esther the-queen and-what? request-of-you half-of to-you unto given thee to the half of the kinadom. המלכות וינתן לד emlkuth uinthn lk the-kingdom and-he-shall-be-given to-you ⁴ And Esther answered, If [it על אל המלך ותאמר אסתר המלך טוב יבוא והמן היום seem] good unto the king, uthamr emlk al asthr oΙ tub emlk uemn am ibua eium let the king and Haman come this day unto the and-she-is-saying Esther if on the-king good he-shall-enter the-king and-Haman the-day to banquet that prepared for him. המשתה אשר לו עשיתי emshthe ashr oshithi the-feast which I-made for-him ⁵ Then the king said, Cause ויאמר המלך מהרו JIX. דמן לעשות אסתר ויבא המלך Haman to make haste, that uiamr emlk ath emn loshuth ath dbr asthr uiba emlk meru he may do as Esther hath said. So the king and and-he-is-saying the-king hasten! Haman to-do word-of Esther and-he-is-coming the-king Haman came to the banquet that Esther had והמן אכ המשתה אשר עשתה אסתר prepared. asthr uemn al emshthe ashr oshthe and-Haman to the-feast which she-made Esther ⁶ And the king said unto שאלתד וינתן ויאמר המלך לאסתר במשתה מה Esther at the banquet of uiamr emlk lasthi bmshthe eiin me shalthk uinthn wine, What [is] thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: the-king to-Esther as-drinking-of the-wine what? and-he-shall-be-given and-he-is-saving asking-of-vou and what [is] thy request? even to the half of the לד ומה בקשתך חצר המלכות ותעש kingdom shall it emlkuth bqshthk lk ume od chtzi uthosh performed. half-of the-kingdom and-she-shall-be-done to-you and-what? request-of-you unto ⁷ Then answered Esther, שאלתי ותאמר אסתר ובקשתי ותען and said, My petition and asthr shalthi ubqshthi uthon uthamr my request [is]; Esther and-she-is-answering and-she-is-saying asking-of-me and-request-of-me ⁸ If I have found favour in המלך חן מצאתי שאלתי ולעשות בעיני על טוב לתת NR. the sight of the king, and if mtzathi chn emlk οl emlk lthth shalthi uloshuth am boini uam tub ath it please the king to grant my petition, and to perform if I-found in-eyes-of the-king and-if on the-king to-give asking-of-me and-to-do grace good my request, let the king and המלך להם Haman come to the אכ 78 בקשתי יבוא והמן המשתה 7772 אעשה banquet that I shall prepare bqshthi emlk ath ibua uemn al emshthe ashr aoshe lem for them, and I will do to morrow as the king hath request-of-me he-shall-enter the-king and-Haman the-feast which I-shall-make for-them to said. המלך ומחר אעשה כדבר

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aoshe

and-tomorrow I-shall-do as-word-of the-king

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emlk

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9	uitza and-he-is-going-for בשער מרדכי mrdki bshor Mordecai in-gate-o ol mrdki chr on Mordecai fun	ולא המלך emlk ula of the-king and-not חמ	שמח ההוא eeua shmch the-that rejoicing ע ולא קם qm ula zo he-rose and-not he	ממנר זי mmnu	וימלא	An » Haman saw Mordecai i king's gate, that he not up, nor moved for he was full of indign emn against Mordecai.	rith a when n the stood him,
10	ויתאפק uithaphq and-he-is-checking ויבא uiba and-he-is-bringing	המן emn himself Haman אהביו את ath aebiu	ויבוא uibua and-he-is-enterir שתו זרש ואת uath zrsh ashi and » Zeresh won	7 ₩ thu		refrained himself: and he came home, he sen	t and
11	ויספר uisphr and-he-is-relating גדלו gdlu he- <i>made</i> -great-him	lem emn a to-them Haman » שר ואת המלך emlk uath asl	צל נשאו אנ	urb urb: -him and-many-of: עבדי השרים ע eshrim uobdi	המלך emlk	ashr which ship promoted him, and hold advanced him at the princes and servar the king.	and his nings] had w he bove
12	and-he-is-saying עשתה אשר	emn aph Haman indeed! אותי אם כיי	la ebiae a not she-let-come E	asthr emlke Esther the-queen קרוא אני כ ani qrua	om emlk al er	the king.	n did h the that but am I
13	וכל ukl ze and-all-of this irruce right.	שוה איננו ainnu shue is-no-he compensa המלך בשער bshor emIk in-gate-of the-king	בכל לי li bkl	אשר עת oth ashr	בי את ראה אני ani rae ath mr	מרדכ 13 Yet all this availeth nothing, so long as mordecai the Jew sitting the king's gate.	see
14	ותאמר uthamr and-she-is-saying	ורש לו lu zrsh to-him Zeresh		aebiu -all-of ones-loving	•	דש hand all his friends unto otz Let a gallows be mad fifty cubits high, an morrow speak thou unto the state of the state	him, de of d to o the
		m ame ubbqr cubit and-in-m משתה אל המלך emik al emshth	amr Imlk orning say! to-kir	ng and-they-shall-h ני הרבר edbr Ip	ath mrdki	אלרן king that Mordecai ma hanged thereon: there online on-him on-him king pleased Haman; he caused the gallows made.	n go king d the and
		העץ eotz he-wood					