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- **2) Men will reap what they sow**: "God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" (*Gal. 6:7*). Haman sowed seeds of hatred and murder, and he ended up reaping the same.
- **3) Pride comes before a fall**: "Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall" (*Prov. 16:18*). In his pride and arrogance of heart Haman was furious when Mordecai the Jew refused to bow down before him (*Esther 3:2; 5:9*). Haman's fall was quite cataclysmic.
- **4)** Wicked acts done to others by an evil man will often be turned upon his own head. This might be called the boomerang effect: "Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a stone, it will return upon him" (*Prov.* 26:27). "He shall fall himself into his own pit" (*Prov.* 28:10; see *Psalm* 7:15-16). A remarkable chain of events resulted in Haman being hung on the very gallows which he had prepared for his enemy Mordecai.
- **5)** Those who curse the nation Israel will be cursed: "I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee" (*Gen. 12:3*). Haman was not content to destroy Mordecai alone. Instead he plotted to exterminate all of the Jews who lived in the great kingdom of Persia (*Esther 3:6*). Even Haman's wife and friends seemed to recognize the danger of cursing the Jews (*Esther 6:13*). To fight Israel is to fight God!

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