

Esther 8:8-14

WHO?

“Now you (*Who?*)

WHAT?

write

to WHO?

to the Jews

HOW?

as you see fit,

HOW?

in the king’s name,

and

WHAT?

seal *it* (*What?*)

with WHAT?

with the king’s signet ring;

WHY?

for a decree

WHAT?

which is written

HOW?

in the name of the king

and

WHAT?

sealed

HOW?

with the king’s signet ring

WHAT?

may not be revoked.”

WHO?

⁹ So the king's scribes

WHAT?

were called


WHEN?

at that time

WHEN?

in the third month (that is, the month Sivan),

WHEN?

on the twenty-third day; (See the  Time Phrases)

and

WHAT?

it was written

HOW?

according to all

that WHO?

that Mordecai

WHAT?

commanded

to WHO?

to the Jews,

WHO?

the satraps,

WHO?

the governors

and

WHO?

the princes

of WHAT?
of the provinces

WHERE?
which *extended* from India to Ethiopia,

HOW many?
127 provinces,

to WHAT?
to every province

HOW?
according to its script,

and

to WHO?
to every people

HOW?
according to their language

as well as

to WHO?
to the Jews

HOW?
according to their script

and

WHAT?
their language.

WHO?
¹⁰He

WHAT?
wrote

HOW?
in the name of King Ahasuerus,

and

WHAT?
sealed it

HOW?
with the king's signet ring,

and

WHAT?
sent letters

HOW?
by couriers

on WHAT?
on horses,

HOW?
riding on steeds

WHAT?
sired by the royal stud.

In WHAT?

¹¹ In them (*the letters*)

WHO?
the king

WHAT?
granted the Jews

who were WHERE?
who were in each

and

WHAT?
every city

WHAT?
the right

to WHAT?
to assemble

and

to WHAT?
to defend their lives,

to WHAT?
to destroy,

to WHAT?
to kill

and

to WHAT?
to annihilate

WHAT?
the entire army

of WHO?
of any people

or

WHAT?
province

which WHAT?
which might attack
them,

including WHO?
including children

and


WHO?
women,

and

the right to WHAT else?

to plunder their spoil,

WHEN?

¹² on one day (See the  Time Phrase)

WHERE?

in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus,

WHEN?

the thirteenth *day*

of WHAT?

of the twelfth month
(that is, the month Adar).

WHAT?

¹³ A copy of the edict

to be WHAT?

to be issued as law

WHERE?

in each

and

WHERE?

every province

was WHAT?

was published

to WHO?

to all the peoples,

WHY?

so that the Jews

WHAT?

would be ready

for WHAT?

for this day

to WHAT?

to avenge themselves

on WHO?
on their
enemies.

WHAT?

¹⁴ The couriers,

WHAT?

hastened

and

WHAT?

impelled

by WHAT?

by the king's command,

WHAT?

went out,

HOW?

riding on the royal steeds;

and

WHAT else?

the decree

was WHAT?

was given out

WHERE?

at the citadel in Susa.