



Purim 2015 Thoughts from the 5th Grade

Eliyahu Ackerman:

Mordechai got Haman's job. "Haman was a very high officer and Mordechai was a poor tzaddik. No one would have expected a poor tzaddik to get a very high rank in Achashvayrosh's palace.

Akiva Gisser:

"I think the most impressive "ve'nahapoch hu" is when the Jews killed their enemies instead of getting killed. I think it is the biggest because they almost all got wiped out but it was opposite. What happened is Achashvayrosh gave Haman the ring to kill all the Jews. But then Esther invited Haman and Achashvayrosh to two parties. On the second party, Esther accused Haman of wanting to kill the Jews. Then they killed Haman and switched from killing the Jews to killing their enemies."

Cecelia Mastracci:

"I think the biggest change was that they didn't see Shushan as their capital anymore. Hashem helped them and gave them miracles. In the beginning of the story, they did not try to repay Hashem and didn't see themselves as separate from the Persians. By the end of the story, they recognized what they had done wrong and no longer saw Shushan as their capital city,"

Yaakov Newman:

"The Jews changed to Yerushalayim as their capital. This is very impressive because they changed their ways to a better choice. I also think it was impressive to fight off all their enemies. Instead of their enemies killing them, it was opposite. It just seems like Hashem."

Mina Schulman:

I think the biggest change is when the Jews were able to kill their enemies instead of being killed. It is impressive because we were few and they were many. It is also impressive because we didn't have any power at the beginning and now, we do. I think it is the biggest change because our enemies couldn't do anything to us and we were considered to be feared and no one dared to mess with us."