

Baby, This is a Crisis

- VASHTI *[From being dead:]* Fine, whatever.
- KING Salt! Butter! I just wanna have a good time tonight.
- ESTHER A little about me: I'm a natural, beautiful, normal person. I don't even need make-up, is that weird? ☺
- VASHTI My skin is actually crawling right now.
- HAMAN I'm just a guy, standing in front of a king, asking him to kill all those Jews.
- KING I hear you, and I honor what you just shared with me.
- MORDECHAI Esther, speaking as your father or uncle, remember what I've always told you about how everyone is always out to get us? Remember that?
- ESTHER I need to say something out loud: I am a Jewish female but I am also a *wife* and I am also putting my *life on the line* here.
- MORDECHAI Doesn't that feel good? You're super brave!
- RESEARCH *The king allowed the Jews of every city to gather and stand up for their lives; to annihilate, kill, and destroy every army of any nation or province that might attack them and their children and women, and to plunder their possessions . . . And the Jews were relieved of their enemies, and the month had been transformed for them from one of sorrow to joy, from mourning to festivity to make them days of feasting, rejoicing, sending food portions one to another, and giving gifts to the poor. And the Jews accepted that which they had begun to observe, and that which Mordechai had written to them.*¹
- KING *[After everyone else is offed:]* Never Again! Am I right?
- MORDECHAI Never Again you guys!
- HAMAN Gurgle gurgle say my name!
- VASHTI Die internet pigs!
- ESTHER I just love everybody! Never Again!

¹ This is from the Book of Esther but I found it online.