

Justice: What is a Just War? Part 1
Esther 8

I. *Just War Requirements (Issues Facing Christians Today, John Stott).*

- A. Is the cause righteous? The cause must be _____, not aggressive.
- B. Is the cause controlled? The cause must not include _____ violence.
- C. Is the outcome _____? There must be a calculated prospect of victory achieving the just cause for which the war began.

II. *Equitable Retribution?*

- A. King Xerxes thought handing over the entire household of Haman and promoting Mordecai to Haman's position was equitable _____.
- B. Esther, once again, acted humbly before the king. While visibly upset, she explained to the king that he failed to grasp the _____.
- C. The king repeated his actions with _____ authority, but this time gave it to Mordecai.
- D. There was a counter edict written to allow the Jews to defend themselves. This brought about a different response in Susa: _____ not confusion.

“We teach people to follow Jesus.”