"What Goes Around Comes Around"

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Esther 3:1—"After these things King Ahasuerus promoted Haman the Agagite, the son of Hammedatha, and advanced him and set his throne above all the officials who were with him."

In Esther 3:1, we are introduced to the villain in our story: Haman: the Agagite.

Our journey is going to center around the Amalekites and the Jews.

God commands Saul to completely destroy Amalek.

Why did God give Saul this command?

Answer: The Amalekites were probably the most vicious, vile people whoever lived on the face of the earth.

Amalek is a picture of the Christian's <u>fleshly nature</u>. (See Galatians 5:16,17)

The Christian is commanded to mortify the fleshly nature or destroy the fleshly nature.

Did King Saul obey God and utterly wipe out Amalek?

Answer: No he did not obey God. Instead, he brought back some of the finer cattle and sheep along with Agag the king of the Amalekites.

The flesh must be destroyed. How?

Confession and repentance

Timeless Truth for personal application:

If you do not put to death the sins of the flesh, the sins of the flesh may rise up and destroy you!