

He has made everything beautiful in its time. He
Has also set eternity in the hearts of men; yet they
cannot fathom what God has done from beginning to end.

"SOLOMON'S PERSONAL PERSUITS"
READ Ecclesiastes 1:1-6:12

DAY 1 – REVIEW Ecclesiastes 1:1-18

1. What thought impressed you in last week's lecture?

2. In verses 1-2, how does the Teacher/Preacher describe . . .
 - a. . . . himself?

 - b. . . . his view of life?

3. As Solomon began to search for the meaning of life, what had he observed in verses 1:1-11 about . . .
 - a. . . . mankind?

 - b. . . . nature?

 - c. . . . the future?

4. What was Solomon's personal pursuit?

5. What had he learned from his pursuit in verse 17?
 . . . verse 18?

6. What do you think is the value of taking time for personal introspection of your life?

DAY 2 – REVIEW Ecclesiastes 2:1-26

7. How did Solomon seek meaning in . . .
 - a. . . . pleasure?

 - b. . . . projects?

 - c. . . . prosperity?

DAY 2 (Continued) – REVIEW Ecclesiastes 2:1-26

8. What was his conclusion in 2:11?

9. He saw that wisdom was better than _____; however, what was the common fate of both in verse 16?

10. Why did Solomon feel that commitment to hard work was not the answer?

11. Finding a healthy balance between work and play not only brings satisfaction, but is actually a gift from _____. How do you think that's true?

DAY 3 – REVIEW Ecclesiastes 3:1-22

12. Verses 1-8 remind us that "There is a time for everything . . ." activities in this life and consideration of eternity beyond. What has God done in . . .
 - a. . . . verse 11?

 - b. Why in verse 14?

13. Fill in Ecclesiastes 3:17: I thought in my heart, "God will bring to judgment both the righteous and the wicked, for _____."
_____.

14. What is the inevitability Solomon saw in 3:20?

15. What do we know from these Scriptures that assures a Christian of immortality?
 - a. John 3:16

 - b. John 11:26

 - c. 2 Timothy 1:10

DAY 4 – REVIEW Ecclesiastes 4:1-16

16. How did Solomon view the following:
 - a. the plight of the oppressed (vs. 1-3)?

 - b. the root cause of the ambitious (vs. 4-5)?

 - c. the frustration of the workaholic (vs. 6-8)?

DAY 4 – (Continued) REVIEW Ecclesiastes 4:1-16

17. Whether feeling oppressed, envious or lonely, what is the strength of a companion as found in 4:9-12?

18. Who was better (a) a poor but wise youth, or (b) a foolish king who no longer heeds warnings? _____

DAY 5 – REVIEW Ecclesiastes 5:1-6:12

19. Ecclesiastes 5:1 (NIV) says “Guard your steps when you go near the house of God. Go near to _____, . . .” How do we hear what God wants to communicate to us?

20. What is the admonition of verses 4-7?

21. a. What is true about those who love money/wealth?

b. Solomon observed what in verses 13-14?

c. What is the truth of verse 15?

22. What is the gift of God in verse 19?

. . . verse 20?

23. Ecclesiastes chapter 6 has 12 verses of futility. Behind the words are Solomon’s feelings of frustration and discontent. He was looking inward and not upward. How do you think being disconnected from God affects a person’s attitude about himself and the world he lives in?

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: