

11. The tragic story of King Solomon may be the most tragic human story ever, with the exception of whom?

12. We have no record in Hebrew Scripture that Solomon ever did what?

13. The book of Ecclesiastes is a very negative book because it was written by a man who had done what?

14. What book of the Bible is the opposite of Ecclesiastes?

15. What name never appears in the book of Ecclesiastes?

16. Solomon had no enjoyment in life when he was what?

17. The word translated "Preacher" refers to one who does what?

18. Solomon probably delivered this address to an assembly of whom?

19. How many times does the word "vanity" appear in Ecclesiastes?

20. Solomon says that life is a grievous task that God has given to man to be what?

21. Can contentment and satisfaction be found in wisdom and knowledge?

22. If you have pushed God out of your life, then knowledge becomes mere what?

23. With God pushed out of the picture in our society, there is far more what today?

24. Ecclesiastes 2:1-3 is a description of what?

25. The philosophy of hedonism is that the purpose of life is what?

26. With all of the new ways to pursue pleasure there is also many new ways to deal with the despondency of life, ways such as:

27. Do you think you are going to find happiness in things and possessions and accomplishments?

28. It doesn't matter if you are rich or poor, wise or foolish, accomplished or not, you are going to what?

29. When Solomon speaks of enjoying life he speaks in what person?

30. Life has meaning and purpose when you are what?

31. Life can be enjoyed when you are what?

32. Are you?

33. When you lock God out of your life the conclusion you are forced to believe is that all would be better if we had not what?

34. In 5:10,15 we see there is no satisfaction in what?

35. I Timothy 6:17 says that God gave us all things to do what?

36. What about Solomon comes through in chapters 7-12?

37. What is better than precious ointment?

38. Life can be enjoyed when you are in what?

39. Are you?

40. Don't wait until the end of your life to come to what?

41. Where does Jesus tell us that He came to give us life more abundantly?

42. What comes before happiness?
43. Sanctification comes before what?
44. Fellowship with God comes before what?
45. What comes before pleasure?
46. Do you have that?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- »>How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- »>How can I accomplish this change?
- »>What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

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## THE EMPTINESS OF LIFE Ecclesiastes

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "Ecclesiastes" All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. In the movie Fiddler on The Roof, what is seen as extremely important?
2. What book in the Bible is where the author goes back and forth contradicting himself?
3. Ecclesiastes may present the clearest picture in all the Bible of what thinking will be like when?
4. The Book of Ecclesiastes speaks pointedly to people living where?
5. Ecclesiastes was written by whom?
6. If you know the story of Solomon's life, then you know he started on a what?
7. When the Lord offered to give him whatever he wanted, what did Solomon ask for?
8. What about Solomon's time is probably unparalleled in history?
9. There was so much gold in Solomon's kingdom that what was considered worthless?
10. Near the end of his life Solomon's heart turned where?

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