

June 19/Day 170

- Continuing with the words of King Solomon.

Ecclesiastes 1

Verse 1

- How is Solomon referred to here?
- “Preacher” is defined here as a “collector of sentences”.

Verse 2

- “Vanity here is defined as “futility, delusion, fleeting, breath, vapor, useless”.

Verses 3-11

- Do the previous verses seem poetic?

Verses 12-15

- If we didn’t already know who the author is, does verse 12 give us an idea?
- How about verse 12 added to verse 13?

Verse 16-18

- What had Solomon set his mind to know?
- What is the burden that comes with wisdom and knowledge?

Ecclesiastes 2

Verses 1-8

- According to verse 1, what is futility to one with wisdom?
- What about laughter?
- Verse 4 mentions building his house. Do you remember reading about this?
- What else did Solomon make for himself?

Verses 9-11

- After Solomon considered all he had done, how did he feel about it?

Verses 12-17

- What excels folly? “Folly” and “fool” have the same root.
- What analogy is compared to how wisdom excels folly?

Verses 18-23

- How did Solomon feel about the fruit of his labor? Why? Was he discontented?
- What happens to the laborer in verse 21?

Verses 24-26

- To what is vanity compared with striving after?

Ecclesiastes 3

Verses 1-8

- Review the time contrasts above.

Verses 9-22

- What has happened in verse 16?

Ecclesiastes 4

Verses 1-3

- What is being done under the sun in verse 1?
- Who comforted them?

Verses 4-6

- What happens between neighbors in regard to skills?
- Observe verse 6.

Verses 7-12

- A cord of three strands is sometimes used as a picture of a marriage; the husband, the wife, and Jesus.

Verses 13-16

Ecclesiastes 5

Verses 1-3

- According to context, what might a “sacrifice of fools” look like?
- Why should we not be hasty or impulsive? And in what?

Verses 4-7

- Sounds a lot like the Proverbs, huh?

Verses 8-12

- Do these verses about money make you think of any other verses?

Verses 13-20

- What is a man’s reward for his work?

Ecclesiastes 6

Verses 1-6

- What evil is prevalent among men? What does this mean?

Verses 7-12

- How many years are a man’s life? What kind of life is it?

See you tomorrow.