

“Are You Expecting?”

Ecclesiastes 12:1, 6-14

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What are the lessons you have learned from others?

Chapter 1 – It is a **riddle, wrapped** in a mystery, inside an **enigma**; but perhaps there is a key. I think that key is found right at the end of Ecclesiastes.”

What do you relate to in the things Solomon tried to find meaning in?

One of the main lies of materialism is that if we just have a little more we will be happy.

Outline of Ecclesiastes:

I. Problem stated: “All is vanity,” Chapter 1:1-3

II. Experiment made, Chapters 1:4—12:12

Seeking satisfaction in the following:

A. Science (the laws of nature), Chapter 1:4-11

B. Wisdom and philosophy, Chapter 1:12-18

C. Pleasure, Chapter 2:1-11

D. Materialism (living for the “now”), Chapter 2:12-26

E. Fatalism, Chapter 3:1-15

F. Egoism, Chapters 3:16—4:16

G. Religion, Chapter 5:1-8

H. Wealth, Chapters 5:9—6:12

I. Morality (the “good life”), Chapters 7:1—12:12

III. Result of experiment, Chapter 12:13, 14

All things under the sun are vanity.

Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter:
Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the duty of all
mankind.

What is one thing I can practically do this week to practice what I
learned from today?