

4. Ecc 7:7-10...Be patient in spirit and enjoy the day!
5. Ecc 8:12-15...Do what God wants...it will be well with those who trust Him...sinners do not come out on top!
6. Ecc 10:1-6...Be practical in the course of life..do not be jealous of others or making false standards for judging others.

B. Summary Notes: Enjoying the Realities of Life....

1. will enable you to use every part of life to honor the Lord.
2. will provided us with the time to appreciate and put to service our talents and skills.
3. allows one to see that the present assets are from God
4. enable us to follow simple and direct truths in the development of life and living practices.
5. calls us to enjoy the companionship God has given to us for for Himself and with others.

C. Conclusion: A little fantasy does not do great harm! But a return to reality is the needed action for the fulfillment of life and its goals.

#6. *Let Every Circumstance be an opportunity for growth and service.*

A lot of opportunities in life are wasted by worry, neglect, confusion, etc. We are not able to correct all of this but the “preacher” gives us some guidelines that are very meaningful.

A. The Scriptures:

1. 1:12-18...with whole-heartedness he approached every day and occasion to see what it held for him
- 2, Ecc 3:16-23...he saw that not everything could be completely corrected but he would trust the guidance of God.
3. Ecc 5:1-7.....the occasions to honor God must be taken seriously
4. Ecc 7:2-6..the choice of wisdom will allow learning in all of life’s situations....some are very tragic, some every day.
5. Ecc 8:1-5...Stay in right relationships with the authority whether human or divine. It helps keep one’s emphasis proper and develops edifying attitudes.
6. Ecc 11:1-6...Be generous and industrious...whatever the situation give it your best effort.

B. Summary Notes: Every circumstance should....

1. provide you with a note as to how the Lord is working...
2. challenge you to evaluate your response
3. provide you opportunity to study and see how it is beneficial