

Ecclesiastes – Lesson 2 Workbook

The Pursuit

Ecclesiastes 2:1-3
Ecclesiastes 2:4-6
Ecclesiastes 2:7-9
Ecclesiastes 2:10-11

1. What are some things that Solomon lists that he tried in life?

2. What conclusion did he reach about investing his life in these things?

3. Which of Solomon's list is most appealing to you: having fun, having stuff, accomplishing stuff, or the opposite sex?

4. How might investing in that stuff prove to be a waste in your own life?

5. Are any of these things in and of themselves bad or wrong? Why or why not?

6. What makes them a waste of time?

Ecclesiastes 2:17-26

1. What was Solomon's reaction to investing so heavily in these things, according to verse 17?

2. What do verses 24-25 say about pleasure?

3. Is it wrong to love life, have fun, or to try new things? Why or why not?

4. What should our foundation be for life?

Matthew 6:19-21
Philippians 4:11-13
Hebrews 13:5-6
Matthew 6:33

1. What does Matthew 6:19-21 say about storing up our treasures?

2. How is this different from what Solomon tried?

3. What does Philippians 4:11-13 say about being content with our lives?

4. How does chasing after stuff defy this attitude?

5. What does Hebrews 13:5-6 say about loving money?

6. In your own words, describe how the world loves money.

7. According to Matthew 6:33, what happens when we seek God first?

Homework

- Memorize Ecclesiastes 2:11
- Take a serious look at how you spend your time and energies. Is there anything that keeps you from experiencing full contentment in Christ? Are you pursuing anything that is actually storing up treasures on earth rather than in Heaven?