

Ecclesiastes

Turn, Turn, Turn

Ecclesiastes 3

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Introduction:

- In **Chapters 1 and 2** ... we look at the confusion, meaninglessness and hopelessness of a person who seeks to find fulfillment in life without seeking that fulfillment from God.
 - Two questions to ponder:
 - Can a person know God, yet not have Him present in their life?
 - Can a person really understand the deeper meaning of life without knowing God?
 - Why do we listen to the people who whisper in our ear ... “I know a god who can give you more than your God.”
 - **Ecclesiastes 2:25**
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1. A Time for Everything:

- a. **Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**
- b. Can a person know God and yet not have Him present in their life? ... YES.
- c. How can that be? – Free Will
- d. God is Omniscient:
 - i. **Matthew 8:29**
 - ii. **John 2:4**
 - iii. **Acts 1:7**
 - iv. **Romans 5:6**
- e. Two new questions to think about:
 - i. Do we serve a God that is so SOVEREIGN, that He would allow man and his Free Will to do all the evil that he does and YET ... God can still turn man’s evil into something good?
 - ii. Is our God so POWERFUL, that you and I can truly rest in the fact that we know He is in control, and therefore, we can fully TRUST Him to work any situation to the good of those who love Him?
- f. **Psalms 105:16-17**
- g. **Genesis 45:4-7**
- h. **Luke 22:31**

2. God's Fingerprints:

- a. **Al Franken** ... *"You can't change your fingerprints; you only have ten of them and you leave them on everything you touch. They are definitely not a secret."*
- b. **Ecclesiastes 3:11**
- c. Many Atheists, Humanists and Evolutionists believe in eternity, as silly as that, sounds.
- d. **1st Corinthians 13:4-8**
- e. **Ecclesiastes 3:14**

3. Things Do Not Seem Fair:

- a. **Ecclesiastes 3:16-17**
- b. **Ecclesiastes 3:18-20**
- c. **Psalms 14:1**
- d. **Ecclesiastes 3:21**
- e. **Hebrews 9:27**
- f. **Matthew 7:21-22**
- g. **Hebrews 12:1-3**
- h. To Jesus ... We are not meaningless!

