

Basic Training in the Bible

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Review of Proverbs:

The Bible didn't _____ ... it was all over the ancient world ...and all over the modern world.

What's the point? Proverbs has a Prologue and Purpose Statement! (Prov. 1:2-7)

So what does godly wisdom look like?

“Wisdom is the ability to make _____.”

The only _____ choices are _____ choices

Why you should read Proverbs once a year every year, starting when you turn 14...

What a _____ looks like vs. What a _____ looks like

Ecclesiastes:

Qoheleth =

“Devotional Thoughts with Qoleheth!!”

“Everything is _____ !”

The Key Word and Meaning:

Used 37x in the book

His Worldview:

His Point:

Eccl. 11:7-12:14

Ecclesiastes, Proverbs, and Job essentially all have the same key theme...

Outline:

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

FEARing God and TRUSTing God

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This Week's Readings:

Ecclesiastes = 12 chapters

Just read the whole thing! ☺