

Ecclesiastes 11:7-12:8

Passage Reflection

This page is meant for individuals, small group Bible studies, or one-on-one interactions. Since learning more about the text's meaning in our corporate gathering, I would encourage you to meditate on the passage again so that you might respond to God in praise and obedience. While I have not answered all of the questions below for you, I've included some of my personal meditations that may be of some benefit. May reflection on this passage be used by God to conform you into the image of Christ.

-Pastor Andrew

What do I learn about God?

God is not only our Creator (12:1), but also the One in whom our spirits will return after our physical bodies die (12:7).

Is there anything for which I should repent based on this text?

Have the difficulties of life kept me from remember the reasons for joy? Aging and trials come, but we are to rejoice in all of our days (11:8).

How might God use this passage to make me look more like Christ?

Christ suffered and still maintained an inner joy because He saw the big picture in which His earthly life fit.

How does this passage affect evangelism?

Young people are told to enjoy life and to do so knowing that there will be a judgement. God desires people to have joy in life. The lie about Christianity is that God is trying to keep people from joy. His desire is that all would find their joy in Him.

How can I edify the church based on what this passage says?

Encourage people toward joyful living as followers of Christ. There is rejoicing to be done.

Prayer