

Ecclesiastes 3:16-4:6

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 will judge the righteous and the wicked. God's judgment is delayed longer than we'd desire for a key reason – He's showing mankind that they are like beasts.

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

Am I working less than I should? Am I working more than I should for the wrong reasons?

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

Am I just in my dealings with other people? Do I comfort people or do I act as an oppressor in any relationships? Am I working hard for the right reasons?

How does this passage affect evangelism?

Evangelism is seeking to rescue evil people from an evil world. Complaining about the evil in the world does no good. We must seek to preach the gospel to evil people. The gospel is what saved us. It's still the answer for others.

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

Encourage brothers and sisters to work and to work for the right reasons (4:4-6)

Prayer