



Trinity Bible Project Week 24

“The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgement, with every secret thing, whether good or evil.”
Ecclesiastes 12:13-14

Meaningless

As a pastor, husband, father, and human, I like to think that I am in control of my life. There are times that I feel I just need to work a little harder in order to enact the outcome that I want. If I say the right words, events in people’s lives will fall right into place. If I show the correct gesture my love and care for others will be fully communicated. Then I wake up from my dream and realize...life doesn’t always work that way! Often, even good intentions can go awry. Even a heart of love can be selfishly directed. Sin gets in the way of everything, and makes living the Christian life at times feel meaningless - a chasing after the wind (Ecclesiastes 1). There are two responses to this reality. In pride, one can attempt to be the exception to every rule, experience, and Word of God (hint: this will lead to a life of despair and futility as Ecclesiastes points out); or, in humility one can embrace God’s work in this world and trust in His Word and will. It is the later that provides fulfillment and a true legacy that lasts beyond death into eternity. This is the heart of the matter when God calls us into obedience to His teachings so that we have purpose beyond this worldly life. And, as we live these godly lives here in time, we just might influence others through our humility lived out in faith in Jesus who saves us out of the futility of this life and delivers us from death!

Getting Started (10 min/week): Watch the “Ecclesiastes” video
<https://thebibleproject.com/all-videos/read-scripture-old-testament/>

Growing Deeper (10 min/day): Discuss how it can be frustrating to see people who don’t ‘deserve’ good things, get good things. Why is this so difficult to see happening?

Leading Well In your small group, discuss the following: develop a definition of humility as you discuss the role of humility in the Christian life.

Weekly Readings: Monday, Proverbs 28-31; Tuesday, Ecclesiastes 1-4; Wednesday, Ecclesiastes 5-8; Thursday, Ecclesiastes 9-12; Friday, Song of Solomon 1-4; Saturday, Song of Solomon 5-8; Sunday, Jeremiah 1-3



A-Broken Language

B-Scattered People

C-Pentecost

B-People Gathered

A-Hear God’s Word

Undone

“Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.” And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built.
Genesis 11:4-5

“We hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?”
Acts 2:11-12

“But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.”
John 14:26