

# LIVING WITH *The End* IN MIND

## *LIVING WITH THE END IN MIND Part 3 – A time for Everything*

As Adam pointed out, happiness and joy are often found synonymous in scripture. Open with a discussion about what makes you happy? How do you spend your time pursuing happiness?

### **Read: Ecclesiastes 3:9-13 & John 6:27**

What is your current perception of your work? Is it a pleasure or do you view it as a burden? How can we view our toil as a gift from God? What does John 6:27 suggest we should be working for and not working for?

### **Read: Ecclesiastes 3:16-17**

How does God's judgment of the righteous and the wicked affect our eternal perspective? Why would God test us to see that we are but beasts?

### **Read: Ecclesiastes 3:20-22, Psalm 39:4-5 & James 4:14**

Again, Solomon suggests that we should rejoice in our work. Why is it that Solomon would place such stress on finding joy in our work? What steps can we take to find joy in our work? How does the fact of our mortality affect our view on work? How does the reminder of the brevity of our lives change our perspective on what we are doing with our time?

### **Read: Psalm 39:4-5, 90:12 & Ephesians 5:15-16**

How does maintaining an eternal perspective gain us wisdom? How does this wisdom help us to make the most of every opportunity?

Scripture gives us examples of how we can use our time wisely. Spend some time reading and discussing how we can best redeem our time based on the following passages:

[Hebrews 10:24–25](#)

[John 13:34–35](#)

[1 John 3:17–18](#)

[Matthew 28:18–20](#)

Pray for one another that God would impart to us wisdom concerning how we use our time.

*Discussion Questions*

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