

Presence Theater Church
Bible Survey

The Book of Ecclesiastes

Meaning of book: Hebrew: _____

Greek: _____

Who wrote it? _____

Date of writing: _____

Timing of events: _____

Key Term: _____: Vanity (also futility) means _____ or _____.
The Hebrew term *hebel* literally meant “breath” or _____.
It referred to something without meaning or something absurd or useless. The term occurs more than ____ times in the book.

Location of Events: _____

Book Outline: Part 1 – The _____ that “All is Vanity (Chaps. 1:1-11)
a. Introduction and Illustrations of Vanity

Part 2 – The _____ that “All is Vanity (Chap. 1:12 – 6:12)
a. Proof from both experience and observation

Part 3 – The _____ for Living with Vanity (Chaps. 7-12)
a. Coping in a wicked world

Summary in one sentence: Although human beings can accumulate many things, _____ much, and achieve great wisdom, these are without _____ and ultimately pointless unless one has lived in _____ and obedience to God.

Summary in ten words or less: _____

Cast of Characters: *God* – all things are in His _____; *The Preacher* – or the Teacher, in other translations; *A man all alone* – an example of how it is good to have a _____; *The wise man* – who knows the explanation of all things; *The king* – who is to be obeyed; *The poor but wise man* – saved his city through his _____ alone; *The young man* – who should be aware of his _____; *The one Shepherd*: the imparter of _____

Where is Christ? Ecclesiastes gives a graphic picture of life’s emptiness and futility apart from _____. Jesus uses the image of a vine with branches to underscore this truth: “The one who remains in Me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without Me” (John 15:5).

In Eccl. 12:11, the words of the wise are “given by one Shepherd”. Jesus said “I am the _____ shepherd” (John 10:11).

Verse to Remember: The conclusion, when all has been heard, is: fear God and keep His commandments, because this applies to every person. (Ecclesiastes 12:13)

Interesting Facts: 1.) The book’s generally negative tone makes some believe that Solomon wrote it late in life, after his hundreds of wives led him to stray from God. (See 1 Kings 11)

What is my take away? _____

Home Study: _____

