

THE MEANING OF LIFE

"A Look at Solomon & the Book of Ecclesiastes"

Author of Ecclesiastes? "The Teacher", commonly held to be King Solomon (1:1,12,16; 2:4-9; 12:9)

BAD NEWS:

I. Introduction: Everything Apart from God is Meaningless!! (1:2)

II. Specific Examples:

Human Wisdom is Meaningless (1:12-18)

[Solomon: I Ki 4:29-34]

Pleasure & Material Possessions are Meaningless (2:1-11)

[I Ki 10: 23-29, 11:1-3; I Chron 29:1-8]

Toil is meaningless (2:17-19)

Labor & Achievement are Meaningless (4:4)

Advancement is Meaningless (4:13-16)

Money & Riches are Meaningless (5:10-17)

[I Ki 10:14-15]

Trying to fill our human appetites is Meaningless (6:7-9)

Youth & Vigor are Meaningless (11:10)

III. Summary: Everything apart from God is Meaningless!! (12:8)

GOOD NEWS:

What is the Meaning of Life???

Fear God and Keep His Commandments!! (12:13)