

An Open Message: The Search for Meaning

Series:

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Talk 2: The Search for Meaning

Bible Reading:

Ecclesiastes 1:12-2:17

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The Search ...



1. The Quest

(1:12-18)

- a) Getting our bearings
- b) Reflection 1: Something is wrong (v13-15)
- c) Reflection 2: Who can find meaning? (v14-16)

2. The Quest for Meaning in Pleasure

(2:1-11)

- a) will prove to be meaningless (v1)
- b) He has tried it all (v2-8)
 - 1. _____
 - 2. _____
 - 3. _____

- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____

- c) He had it all (v9-10)
- d) ...yet, he gained nothing (v11)

3. The Quest for Meaning in Wisdom

(2:12-17)

- a) Wisdom is better than folly (v12-14a)
- b) But the same fate overtakes both (v14b-16)

God's Wisdom and Human Wisdom



The normal way that God speaks to us is in the Bible. Christians should read the Bible and be taught from the Bible regularly. This outline is to help you follow the talk. You may use it to take notes, to note a particularly helpful point, or to raise a question for future discussion.

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