



Eternity

Destiny

Understanding

Covenant

Application

Teach

Engage



Eternity

The God-Given Task

Ecclesiastes 3:9-15 What gain has the worker from his toil? 10 I have seen the business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. 11 **He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end.** 12 I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live; 13 also that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure in all his toil—this is God's gift to man.

14 I perceived that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it. God has done it, so that people fear before him. 15 That which is, already has been; that which is to be, already has been; and God seeks what has been driven away. ESV

Ecclesiastes 3:9-14 But in the end, does it really make a difference what anyone does? 10 I've had a good look at what God has given us to do — busywork, mostly. 11 **True, God made everything beautiful in itself and in its time — but he's left us in the dark, so we can never know what God is up to, whether he's coming or going.** 12 I've decided that there's nothing better to do than go ahead and have a good time and get the most we can out of life. 13 That's it — eat, drink, and make the most of your job. It's God's gift.

14 I've also concluded that whatever God does, that's the way it's going to be, always. No addition, no subtraction. God's done it and that's it. That's so we'll quit asking questions and simply worship in holy fear. The Message



What is the Meaning of Life?
Dealing with Frustrating Restrictions

God's Ways are Good!

THIS LIFE IS NOT ALL THERE IS

Destination and Preparation

Preparing for a Final Destination

Life on Earth – MANY choices

Eternity – only TWO choices

Eternity Perspective

- At most, you will live a hundred years on earth, but you will spend forever in eternity.
- We are all living for something, in pursuit of something, or in the service of something.
- **The destination is extremely important! You don't get to the destination without embracing the journey!**
 - **Better - Bitter**
 - **“How should we then live”**
 - Francis Schaeffer 1976

Well done or.....?

- How we live matters!
- Matthew 16:27 For the Son of Man will come with his angels in the glory of his Father and will judge all people according to their deeds.
- My work matters, my relationships matter, my attitude matters, my service matters, my matters.

Rewards in Heaven:

- Seeking first the kingdom of God
- Persevering to the end!
- Work unto the Lord
- Financial choices

A background image of a sunset over the ocean. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright glow and long, shimmering reflections on the water. The sky is filled with soft, wispy clouds. In the upper right corner, there is a faint silhouette of a person standing on a beach, looking out at the sea.

Are you willing to stay
but longing to go ?

Or are you willing to go
but longing to stay?

The Final and Conclusive Decision!

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 - God's mind is made up and eternally settled!
 - Heaven and Hell are the 2 eternal destinations!
 - **Our ultimate response is simple worshipping Him in holy fear!**
 - If you have a relationship with God through Jesus, you don't need to fear death. It is the door to eternity

Hebrews 13:14 For this world is not our permanent home; we are looking forward to a home yet to come. NLT

Matthew Henry said, "It ought to be the business of every day to prepare for our final day."

