## **Ecclesiastes VI** The Enjoyment of What is Given Ecclesiastes 5:18-20

- Ι. THE GOOD OF WHAT HAS BEEN OBSERVED (Ecclesiastes 5:18)
  - a. To Enjoy The Good Of All His Labour (Ecclesiastes 5:18a)
    - i. It is to be enjoyed (1 Timothy 6:17)
    - ii. With a balance; knowing that you will be judged according to what you do with what God has given you (1 Timothy 6:17; Ecclesiastes 11:9)
      - 1. Judged by Christ (Acts 17:31; Romans 14:10; 2 Corinthians 5:10)
        - a. Ordained by God (Acts 10:42)
        - b. The Father hath committed all judgment to the Son (John 5:22-23)
        - c. In the kingdom (2 Timothy 4:1)
          - i. At His coming (2 Timothy 4:1; Jude 1:14-15)
          - ii. At the dividing of the nations (Matthew 25:31-46)
            - 1. The righteous (sheep) nations (Matthew 25:33-40, 46b)
            - 2. The unrighteous (goats) nations (Matthew 25:41-45, 46a)
          - iii. During His reign (Zechariah 14:16-21)
      - 2. Judged according to what we have done in this body (2) Corinthians 5:10)
        - a. Because your body belongs to God (1 Corinthians 6:12-20)
        - b. Therefore, we should not let sin reign in our body (Romans 6:12-13)
  - b. For It Is His Portion (Ecclesiastes 5:18b)
    - i. The things that he has laboured for are from God
    - ii. It is a portion from God (Matthew 6:11)

- A GIFT FROM GOD (Ecclesiastes 5:19) II.
  - What Is the Gift From God (Ecclesiastes 5:19)
    - i. The Riches
    - ii. Wealth
    - iii. Power to Eat
    - iv. To take the portion
    - v. To rejoice in labour
  - b. God Gives Man the Power to Enjoy All of This Gift (1 Chronicles 29:12, see context of verse 12)
    - i. To enjoy the portion that is given to him (Deuteronomy 8:18)
    - ii. Sometimes the power to enjoy is not there (Ecclesiastes 6:1-2)
  - c. The Life Given (Ecclesiastes 5:19b)
    - i. Your Physical Life (Job 12:10; 33:4)
    - ii. Your Spiritual Life (Romans 6:23; 1 John 5:11-12)
- THE ENJOYMENT FORGOTTEN (Ecclesiastes 5:20) III.
  - a. The Days of Life Forgotten (Psalm 39:5, 90:9-10; James 4:13-14)
    - i. Our days are like a(n) handbreath
    - ii. Our lives are like a vapour
  - b. God's answer to Him (Ecclesiastes 5:20)
    - i. David's joy in heart (Psalm 4:6-7)
    - ii. Our joy in heart (Romans 5:1, 5-11)