

Life Under the Sun: The Message of Ecclesiastes

Lakewood Presbyterian Church

Lesson 5 Ecclesiastes 6:1-7:15 (6-15-25)

Key Idea: Just as prosperity is not necessarily a blessing (6:1-12), so adversity is not necessarily a bad thing (7:1-12), and God has appointed them both according to His own purpose (7:14-15).

I. THE STRUCTURE OF ECCLESIASTES & SOLOMONS ARGUMENT

- A. This evening we begin our look at the _____ major section of Ecclesiastes (6:1-8:17).
- B. This breaks down into three sub-sections:
1. “We must evaluate the o_____ condition of men properly (6:1-7:15).
 2. We must evaluate other m_____ properly (7:16-29).
 3. The sin of p_____ men can b_____ the view (8:1-15)”

--Doug Wilson, *Joy at the End of the Tether*, p.88

II. PROSPERITY IS NOT NECESSARILY A BLESSING

(6:1-12)

III. ADVERSITY IS NOT NECESSARILY A BAD THING

(7:1-12)

IV. GOD IS SOVEREIGN AND YOU AIN'T

(7:13-15)
