

"Forging a Firm Financial Foundation, Part 2"

Ecclesiastes 5:10-19 October 27, 2015

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Prayer Requests & Opening Prayer

What is the most physically exhausting job you have ever had?

1. Read Ecclesiastes 5:10-12

- What makes the experiences in these three parables (vv. 10, 11, and 12) meaningless?
- What things do you have that have no value other than to “feast your eyes on them”?
- What about wealth is most regretful in these verses?
 - a. The addiction to wealth
 - b. Wealth’s emptiness
 - c. The indulgence of wealth
 - d. Rampant consumerism

2. Read Ecclesiastes 5:13-17

- What is the “grievous evil” described in these verses?
- How can “wealth hoarded” and “wealth lost” both be grievous evils?

3. Read Ecclesiastes 5:18-20

- What does Ecclesiastes consider “good and proper”? (Also see 2:24-26.)

4. Have you seen people at the top of organizations you have worked with get rich from the efforts of others? Is this a good thing or a bad thing?

5. What priority has pursuing wealth had in your life? Ultimately, what do you expect to receive from your life’s work?

6. Are you more inclined to help the poor and needy when your life is similar or when you are well off and have more to give?

7. What is your life’s dream? What will help you attain it?

Closing Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, teach us we cannot serve two masters. Lead us to love you with all our thoughts, all our talk, all our time, all our talents, and all our treasure. In Your Name we pray. Amen.