

COMMUNITY GROUPS

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one another in our homes

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Text: Ecclesiastes Ch 3

Message: Ted Rastatter

Questions: John Brewer

In Ecclesiastes Chapter 3, Solomon writes about the seasons we should expect in life and how we should find our hope in God through them.

Discussion Questions:

1. In our cultural context as Christians, we often see and feel pressured to act like everything is perfect. Ted said that “Faithfulness in every season starts with being honest about what we see in the world.” Read the following examples of Bible figures being honest about what they see and feel: Ecclesiastes 2:17, Psalm 77:1-3, Job 16:7, Matthew 26:38. Can you think of any other examples? Why is it freeing for us to acknowledge what is going on around us?
2. Read Ecclesiastes 3:9-12. Ted suggested that it is important to be *present* in the season in which God has placed us. Why is this important? What does facing difficult seasons do for us (Ecclesiastes 2:7)? How can we remind ourselves that God hasn’t made a mistake with our current season? Reference Proverbs 16:9.
3. Why and how can we be content in every season of life? Reference Romans 8:28 and Philippians 4:11-13.
4. We endure various difficult seasons, and as we look around our world, we see injustice. Ted submitted that we should “be patient.” Does being patient mean that we ignore those seasons and injustices? What are we ultimately being patient for? Reference 2 Corinthians 4:16-18.