

THE TIME OF OUR LIFE
ECCLESIASTES 3:1-15
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Introduction:

Two Truths:

1. _____

2. _____

“Whatever _____ endures forever”

#1: The Seasons of Time (vs 1-9)

Time is used _____ times

_____ lines, _____ couplets

The final word of time’s poem is _____

#2: The Gift of Time (vs 10-13)

“Life in God’s world is _____.” David Gibson *Living Life Backward*”

God Gives Three Gifts

1. God has given us _____

2. God has given us _____

3. God has given us _____

#3: The Fullness of Time (vs 14-15)

“Why has God ordered the time of our lives in such a way, that nothing is gained?”

So that _____.

God makes all things _____. How does he do this?

God sends us a _____.

Isaiah 9:6-7

Luke 1-2

Galatians 4:4-7

God governs the time of our lives

Receive each day God gives as a gift, a gift to be enjoyed, used for the good of others and the glory of God.

“One of the best ways to avoid life’s vanity is by knowing what to do with our time.”

“The way we spend our time, is the way we spend our lives.” Philip Rkyen

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. What are some of your heavens and hells as you look back on your life?
2. How have you tried to control time rather than trust God with time?
3. Do you agree with this statement, “Life in God’s world is gift not gain”? Why/why not?
4. Of the three gifts described that God gives, what is the hardest for you to receive?
5. How do you navigate God’s timing often being much slower than yours?
6. Take time to pray for each other to enjoy the time God gives us, and to live for His glory.
7. Consider these simple applications on time from Philip Ryken:
 - A. Wait on God’s Time
 - B. Live knowing there is a Time to die
 - C. Redeem the Time