

ECCLESIASTES

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READ

- Read Ecclesiastes 5:1-7 and consider what lessons the Holy Spirit intends us to learn. Consider reading the passage a second time in another translation (for instance, NIV or NLT) to aid in comprehension.

EXAMINE

- Why is it significant that “God is in heaven and you are on earth”?
- To “let your words be few” before God cannot be a prohibition on prayer. What does it mean to “be not rash with your mouth,” and what is the author communicating?
- What does it mean to make a vow to God?
- What does it mean to fear God? What does it not mean?

APPLY

- What might it look like to “guard your steps” in worshipping God today? How can we encourage each other communally in sincere worship?
- How does this passage keep us from becoming irreverent in our relationship with God while still being personal and honest?
- How can you grow in listening to God more than speaking?
- How does this passage shape how we approach various commitments in the context of community?
- What practices can you incorporate in your life to increase your fear of God?

PRAY

- Take time to praise God for who He is, confess sins, and/or make requests based on this passage.