



## **Ecclesiastes Chapter 6 – What is Truly Good? Grow Group Notes**

*He was in the **world**, and the **world** was created through him, and yet the **world** did not recognize him. John 1:10*

- World – the system, the planet, the people

What is this world system? Who oversees this word system? What is the purpose of it?

### **WHAT IS IT?**

**John 3:19-20**

- It is a place where evil and darkness are loved. It is a place that hates light (Jesus). **LIKE A DRUG DEALER TURNING OFF THE LIGHT. This is why strip clubs have no windows.**

**John 8:21-24** - It is a place we are all born into.

### **WHO RULES IT?**

**John 14:30, Ephesians 2:1-2** - Satan rules the world system.

### **WHAT IS ITS GOAL?**

**2 Corinthians 4:3-4** - To blind us.

### **HOW DOES THIS HAPPEN?**

**Ecclesiastes 6 - 7:1-4**

**1. Wealth (V1-3)** Matthew 6:24, 1 Timothy 6:10, Hebrews 13:5 - In our fallen nature we will have the tendency to be intoxicated by too much or paralyzed by too little. Money in itself is not bad, but the love of it is. What is a spiritually healthy view of money?

**Malachi 3:7-10** - Only place in Scripture where God asked to be tested.

**2 Corinthians 9:6-8** - NT giving is to be generous, because you want to, and cheerfully. If you are not giving, you are missing out on God's grace.

**1 Corinthians 16:1-2** - NT giving is to be regular and proportional.

**2. Family (V3-7)** Matthew 12:46-50 Luke 14:25-27 Not a teaching to hate our families, but a call to think about the priority of our affections.

**3. Knowledge (V8-End)** 1 Corinthians 1:17-25 Wisdom – what to do with knowledge

**Application: (Emerald City – Gospel)**

**Ecclesiastes 7: 1-4**

**1. For the Christian, death is gain.**

a. Philippians 1:21-26, 1 Corinthians 15:21-26

**2. Where is your heart? John 13: 1-10**

### **Grow Group Questions**

1. What are we being blinded by to distract us from knowing our Creator?
2. Are our affections in the right priority? If not, what steps can we take to fix our priorities?
3. Are we placing too much emphasis on our wisdom rather than God's? If so, what steps can we take to begin trusting in God's plan?

### **Announcements 3/19**

- Kids Ministry needs volunteers – Talk with Katie or Wes or register to volunteer at [feathersoundchurch.com/servekids](http://feathersoundchurch.com/servekids)
- Spring Grow Groups are starting up again – register at [feathersoundchurch.com/grow](http://feathersoundchurch.com/grow)
- SAVE THE DATE! Youth Camp is June 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>. Information meeting after 2<sup>nd</sup> service on 3/19 and 3/26.