

FROM / I didn't pick - if we pay oth, hope and trust

- SATISFACTION / REST
- BROKEN IN EDEN - NOSTALGIA
- AND SO WE TRY TO FIND REST...

DESCRIPTION

- PAST STRIVING
 - VERSES 1-6 - EXPLAIN
 - I WILL FIND REST THRU PRODUCTIVITY → LEGACY → SIGNIFICANCE
 - BUT → if no enjoyment, no rest - working to "enjoy it then"

- PRESENT SEARCHING
 - VERSES 7-9 - EXPLAIN
 - I WILL FIND REST THRU APPETITE → IF I SEE IT, I'LL TAKE IT → IF I DON'T SEE IT, I'LL FIND IT.
 - BUT → appetite never satisfied → advancing, but to what end? → looking for better, signifying more.

- POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS
 - VERSES 10-12 - EXPLAIN
 - I WILL FIND REST THRU PLANNING → IF I DO THINGS BETTER, LIFE WILL GO BETTER
 - BUT → WE PLAN... THINK... → GOD IS IN CONTROL / CAN'T PREDICT FUTURE

- ECCLESIASTES DESCRIPTIVE
 - DOESN'T ALWAYS GIVE TIDY ANSWERS;
 - SHOWING HOPELESSNESS OF LIFE HERE + NOW, SINCE UNDER
 - ⇒ NO TRUE PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE REST

KINGDOM

- JESUS CHRIST SPOKE OF TWO KINGDOMS
 - RISING - MARK 1:15
 - "THE TIME IS FULFILLED, AND THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS AT HAND; REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL"

- FALLING - MARK 13:31
- "HEAVEN AND EARTH WILL PASS AWAY, BUT MY WORDS WILL NOT PASS AWAY"

LOGOS → GOSPEL

HOPE + REALITY CONTAINED HERE.

GOSPEL

JESUS PLEADS WITH US TO SOU INTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

- SERMON ON MOUNT
 - INTRODUCING KINGDOM
 - MATT. 7: 24-27 - HEAR + DO ≠ SOUND - HEAR - DON'T = SAND

- BUT WE LIVE IN WORLD!
 - SOU INTO KOTH, STEWARDS K.O.E

- PRESENCE OVER PRODUCTIVITY
 - PROVIDE, BUT DON'T LAY UP TREASURES: Provision of needs K.O.H. Store of treasures K.O.E
 - "DON'T BE ANXIOUS" - KINGDOM FIRST
 - DO YOU HAVE NEEDS MET TODAY?
 - WE WANT future life of rest so we don't spin, BUT the promised rest of Jesus offered now
 - ⇒ PRESENT TO GOD, SELF, RELATIONSHIPS
 - SPIN HEALTH
 - EMOTIONAL
 - WORK HARD, BUT WHERE IS HOPE? PRESENCE

- APPRECIATION OVER APPETITE
 - VERSE 9: SIGHT > WANDERING
 - PERHAPS YOU CAN'T APPRECIATE SEASON OF PRESENT B/C MORE FOCUSED ON SOMETHING NEW TO FEED YOUR APPETITE
 - what has he given you now?

ENJOY, BUT WHERE IS HOPE? APPRECIATION

- PRAISE OVER PLANNING
 - FUTURE REST - JAMES 4: 13-16 - "when you do this, you boast"
 - we make plans, but life is a vapor

PLAN, BUT WHERE IS HOPE? PRAISE - Life is hands of him who loves me.

- PRESENCE, APPRECIATION, PRAISE
 - ALL BRING US BACK HERE WHERE JESUS PROMISES TO MEET US
 - MATT 11: 28-30 - Jesus invites into Kingdom presence - INTO REST

EXPLAIN COMMUNION