

DON'T WASTE YOUR LIFE
Ecclesiastes 9:1-12

4 Truths About Life:

- 1. Life is a gift from God (1)**
- 2. Life is brief (2)**
- 3. Life is often wasted (3)**
- 4. Life has one take (4-6)**

How to live without regrets:

1. Enjoy the simple routines of life

*Go, eat your bread with joy,
And drink your wine with a merry heart; (7)*

2. Accept God's grace

For God has already accepted your works. (7)

3. Invest in healthy relationships

Live joyfully with the wife whom you love all the days of your vain life which He has given you under the sun, all your days of vanity... (9)

4. Be content

...for that is your portion in life... (9)

5. Give life your all

Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with your might; for there is no work or device or knowledge or wisdom in the grave where you are going. (10)

6. Be persistent

*I returned and saw under the sun that—
The race is not to the swift,
Nor the battle to the strong,
Nor bread to the wise,*

*Nor riches to men of understanding,
Nor favor to men of skill;
But time and chance happen to them all. (11)*

7. Be ready to die

*For man also does not know his time:
Like fish taken in a cruel net,
Like birds caught in a snare,
So the sons of men are snared in an evil time,
When it falls suddenly upon them. (12)*