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ECCLESIASTES 7

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Navigating Life's Ups and Downs

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*COMPASSIONATE
TABERNACLE OF FAITH*

Navigating Ups and Downs

I) Recognizing human imperfection (.v20-22)

Ecclesiastes 7 NKJV

- 20) For there is not a just man on earth who does good And does not sin.
- 21) Also do not take to heart everything people say, Lest you hear your servant cursing you.
- 22) For many times, also, your own heart has known That even you have cursed others.

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2) The illusion of complete wisdom (.v23-24)

Ecclesiastes 7 NKJV

- 23) All this I have proved by wisdom. I said, "I will be wise"; But it was far from me.
- 24) As for that which is far off and exceedingly deep, Who can find it out?

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3) The search for meaning

4) The Reality of sin

(.v25-28)

Ecclesiastes 7 NKJV

- 25) I applied my heart to know, To search and seek out wisdom and the reason of things, To know the wickedness of folly, Even of foolishness and madness.
- 26) And I find more bitter than death The woman whose heart is snares and nets, Whose hands are fetters. He who pleases God shall escape from her, But the sinner shall be trapped by her.

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3) The search for meaning

4) The Reality of sin

(.v25-28)

Ecclesiastes 7 NKJV

- 27) "Here is what I have found," says the Preacher, "Adding one thing to the other to find out the reason,
- 28) Which my soul still seeks but I cannot find: One man among a thousand I have found, But a woman among all these I have not found.

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5) God's original design and human rebellion

Ecclesiastes 7 NKJV

- 29) Truly, this only I have found:
That God made man upright,
But they have sought out many
schemes."

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5) God's original design and human rebellion

Romans 1:21-25 NKJV NKJV

because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. 22 Professing to be wise, they became fools, 23 and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man—and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things. 24 Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves, 25 who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.