

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE
A Word to the Wise - Week 1
What Does It All Mean?
April 3, 2024

Wisdom

- Wisdom - living according to what God says is good and right.
- *James 1:5*

What is the meaning of life?

The Book of Ecclesiastes

- *Ecclesiastes 1:1-2*
- Everything will move on without you. (*Ecc. 1-3*)
- Everyone dies. (*Ecc. 11-12*)
- Everything is random. (*Ecc. 4-10*)

The Problem of Pain

- Worldly Wisdom - the existence of pain disproves God.
- Religious Wisdom - the existence of pain means God is mad at you.
- Godly Wisdom - we cannot fully understand God's ways, nor always interpret pain.
- *John 9:1-2*
- *Ecclesiastes 3:1-4*
- *Isaiah 55:8-9*

But, Why?

- Sometimes, our pain is a consequence.
- Sometimes, our pain is for God's glory.
- Sometimes, God says, "no."
- When it doesn't make sense, trust God, and know you are not alone.