

order many proverbs. 10 The preacher sought to find out acceptable words: and that which was written was upright, even words of truth. 11 The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the masters of assemblies, which are given from one shepherd. 12 And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh.

Jeremiah 23:29

29 Is not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?

Hebrews 4:12

12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

CONCLUSION

Philippians 2:10

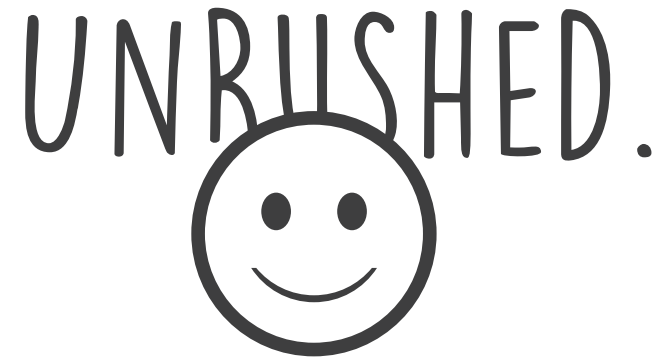
That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; 11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Decision #11: Delight in the Loving Lordship of Jesus



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OVERCOMING THE OVERWHELMED LIFE

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SAVIOUR FIRST

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Text: Ecclesiastes 12:1

1 Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;

ECCLESIASTES 12:11-14

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INTRODUCTION

Key Thought: Jesus is the only loving Lord!

I. LIFE'S GREATEST

Ecclesiastes 12:1

1 Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;

Remember- to be brought to mind, to be mindful of.

Psalms 48:14

14 For this God is our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide even unto death.

Psalms 73:24-26

24 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory. 25 Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee. 26 My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

Proverbs 3:5, 6

5 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. 6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

2. LIFE'S GROWING

Ecclesiastes 12:2-8

2 While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain: 3 In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened, 4 And the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of musick shall be brought low; 5 Also when they shall be afraid of that which is high, and fears shall be in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail: because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets: 6 Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be

broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern. 7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it. 8 Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all is vanity.

“Keepers of the House”—arms and hands tremble.

“Strong Men”—legs, knees, and shoulders weaken and you walk bent over.

“Grinders”—losing your teeth.

“Windows”—vision begins to deteriorate.

“Doors, Grinding”—hearing starts to fail

“Rise Up”—wake up earlier, wish you could sleep longer.

“Music”—voice starts to quaver and weaken.

“Afrald”—fear of heights or of falling.

“Almond Tree”—any hair left turns white, like almond blossoms.

“Grasshopper”—loss of physical energy, moving slower.

“Desire”—loss of appetites, perhaps sexual desire.

“Long Home”—You long for eternity and people mourn your death.

James 4:14

14 Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

Romans 14:11, 12

11 For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. 12 So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

Hebrews 9:27

27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

3. LIFE'S GOADING

Ecclesiastes 12:9-12

9 And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, and set in