

WATCH

In times when everything feels new, I need the reminder that while the particulars may be new, the core truths of a given situation are not unique. God's word provides real and relevant wisdom for the times in which we live.

READ

Ecclesiastes 1: 4-10

- ⁴ *A generation goes, and a generation comes, but the earth remains forever.*
- ⁵ *The sun rises and the sun goes down, and hurries to the place where it rises.*
- ⁶ *The wind blows to the south, and goes around to the north;
round and round goes the wind, and on its circuits the wind returns.*
- ⁷ *All streams run to the sea, but the sea is not full;
to the place where the streams flow, there they continue to flow.*
- ⁸ *All things are wearisome; more than one can express;
the eye is not satisfied with seeing, or the ear filled with hearing.*
- ⁹ *What has been is what will be, and what has been done is what will be done;
there is nothing new under the sun.*
- ¹⁰ *Is there a thing of which it is said, "See, this is new"?
It has already been, in the ages before us.*

REACT

The word "unprecedented" has entered daily conversation regarding this pandemic, the public responses to it, and expected effects from it.
What specific issues are causing you the most concern?

God's word tells us that despite the unprecedented details of a given situation, the core reality is not only known by God, but is nothing new.

How does that promise of scripture bring comfort in times like these?

How can you tactfully share that comfort to someone who needs peace?

REFLECT & PRAY

Take the time to break-down the issues weighing on you this week.

Speak to God about them specifically and ask him to show you how all things are already known by him and are in his control. Ask him to reveal his truth and wisdom for the issues weighing you down.

Lord, please reveal our hidden worries. As we speak them to you, give us the confident faith that they are all within your control. Show us your truth and give us peace through knowledge of your word and your will.

Amen