The Right Time

Ecclesiastes 1:2-8 - *"Everything is meaningless," says the Teacher, "completely meaningless!"* [3] *What do people get for all their hard work under the sun?* [4] *Generations come and generations go, but the earth never changes.* [5] *The sun rises and the sun sets, then hurries around to rise again.* [6] *The wind blows south, and then turns north. Around and around it goes, blowing in circles.* [7] *Rivers run into the sea, but the sea is never full. Then the water returns again to the rivers and flows out again to the sea.* [8] *Everything is wearisome beyond description. No matter how much we see, we are never satisfied. No matter how much we hear, we are not content.*

God's People Have Purpose

Acts 17:27-28 – *he is actually not far from each one of us,* [28] *for "In him we live and move and have our being"*

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 - *For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven.* [2] *A time to be born and a time to die. A time to plant and a time to harvest.* [3] *A time to kill and a time to heal. A time to tear down and a time to build up.* [4] *A time to cry and a time to laugh. A time to grieve and a time to dance.* [5] *A time to scatter stones and a time to gather stones. A time to embrace and a time to turn away.* [6] *A time to search and a time to quit searching. A time to keep and a time to throw away.* [7] *A time to tear and a time to mend. A time to be quiet and a time to speak.* [8] *A time to love and a time to hate. A time for war and a time for peace.*

A God Who Controls Time And Is Present In Our Everyday Lives

We Must Discern The Appropriate Times To Act

Proverbs 15:23 - *Everyone enjoys a fitting reply; it is wonderful to say the right thing at the right time!*

Proverbs 25:11 - *Timely advice is lovely, like golden apples in a silver basket.*

The Wise Person Knows The Right Time

Proverbs 26:4, 5 - *Don't answer the foolish arguments of fools, or you will become as foolish as they are.* [5] *Be sure to answer the foolish arguments of fools, or they will become wise in their own estimation.*

<u>Ecclesiastes 3:9-15</u> - *What do people really get for all their hard work?* [10] *I have seen the burden God has placed on us all.* [11] *Yet God has made everything beautiful for its own time. He has planted eternity in the human heart, but even so, people cannot see the whole scope of God's work from beginning to end.* [12] *So I concluded there is nothing better than to be happy and enjoy ourselves as long as we can.* [13] *And people should eat and drink and enjoy the fruits of their labor, for these are gifts from God.* [14] *And I know that whatever God does is final. Nothing can be added to it or taken from it. God's purpose is that people should fear him.* [15] *What is happening now has happened before, and what will happen in the future has happened before, because God makes the same things happen over and over again.*

God's Activity And Our Response To It

We Learn To Accept The Seasons Of Life As They Come And Enjoy What God Is Doing

God Is At Work In Our Lives, Looking To Establish His Will

If We Cooperate Within God's Season, Life Will Not Be Meaningless

1) **Your Life Is A Gift From God.**
2) **Your Life Is Linked To Eternity.**
3) **Your Life Can Be Enjoyed Now.**