

A Time for All Things
Ecclesiastes 2:24-3:15

Review:

1. It is God alone Who gives us the ability to enjoy anything we have or do in this life.
2. Because only the things that God does really endure, we should make His priorities our own
3. Since only the Person and Work of Christ matters in the long run, he deserves all the worship and praise we can offer Him, with our lips as well as with our actions.

Reflect:

1. Think about the things that easily distract you from the things of God. Why do you think you find them so interesting? What can you do to increase your focus on the Person and Work of Christ instead?

Go further: Read Ephesians 2:1-10

1. What does Paul say Christ did for the Ephesians in 2:1? How does Paul describe their condition before this took place?
2. According to 2:2, how does Paul say that those who are dead in their sins walk? To whom are they obedient?
3. In 2:3, what does Paul say that all Christians used to do?
4. What do you think it means to be “children of wrath?” To whom does this description apply?
5. What reasons does Paul give for God’s grace in 2:4?
6. What does Paul say God has done for us in 2:5? What was our condition before this happened?
7. What two things does Paul say God has done for us in 2:6?
8. According to 2:7, what is the reason God has raised His people from the dead?
9. According to 2:8, how have we been saved? What does Paul say is the source of our faith and salvation?
10. Why does 2:9 say that we have no reason to boast?
11. For what reason does 2:10 say we were created?

Summary and Application:

1. How has the saving work of Christ brought meaning and purpose into your life? Even though there is nothing we can do to save ourselves, how does His sacrifice motivate you to serve Him?
2. In verse 10, Paul says that God has prepared good works for us to do. How do you think God has equipped you, and what do you think He is calling you to do?