

When It's All Said And Done
Text: Ecclesiastes 12:9-14
Series: Escaping Futility, Enjoying Fulfillment,
The Book of Ecclesiastes, #8
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Theme: Fulfillment comes as you center your life on God.

Give God first place in your life.

- 1. The final conclusion: Give God full reverence and obedience. (13)
- 2. The final counsel: Remember that God is the final Judge. (14)

Guide your life by God's word.

- 1. Because it *is* God's truth. (9, 11, 12)
- 2. Because it changes your life. (10, 11)
- 3. Solomon's example. (9-10)

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. We concluded this look at Ecclesiastes yesterday. Today read chapters 1 & 2 to review the opening points and cycles of King Solomon's experiments. If you have saved the outlines and your notes for this section, review those as well.

Tuesday. When it's all said and done, fulfillment comes as you center your life on God. This includes giving God the full reverence and obedience He deserves. Read 12:13—this is a good verse to memorize as a summary of how to live with fulfillment. Review the last few days with particular attention to your conscious reverence and obedience to God. Record your observations.

Wednesday. In 12:14 King Solomon tells us that "God will bring every act to judgment." As a child of God, all your sin was judged in Christ at the cross. But Christ will judge your life's work. Review 1 Corinthians 3:10-15. The apostle Paul's statements are not to create fear, but to encourage us to joyful, faithful living.

Thursday. One other key component of centering your life on God is guiding your life by His Word. Review the points, and your notes, on why this is critical from the outline sheet. How are you doing? If there are some specifics of how you need to grow, record them and what you are going to do to make progress.

Friday – Saturday. On Sunday we plan to begin a new sermon series in the book of Acts. Read and think through chapter 1 as you prepare for our time of worship together.