

“REMEMBER YOUR CREATOR”

Ecclesiastes 12

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I. What is the conclusion of the matter? (vv. 1-8)

“all is vanity”

“Remember also your Creator”

“in the days of your youth”

Remember your Creator to find _____ in life.

Deuteronomy 8:1-10;

Hebrews 3:15

“Turn away from the God who alone can satisfy you and it is inevitable that you will be dissatisfied with lesser and ephemeral pleasures.” -Sinclair Ferguson

“The best time in life to do this is when we are still young enough to give a whole lifetime to God’s service.” -Philip Ryken

II. How can we remember our Creator? (vv. 9-12)

“wrote words of truth.”

“like goads”

“like nails firmly fixed”

“given by one Shepherd”

“beware of anything beyond these”

Remember your Creator by _____ to His _____.

Deuteronomy 29:29

Acts 26:14

“Life may be a vapor, but wisdom can help pin it down, giving us a place to hang our experience.” -Philip Ryken

“As the Shepherd of our souls, God uses this book- as he uses everything written in the Bible- to prod us into spiritual action.” -Philip Ryken

III. ***What does it look like to remember our Creator?*** (vv. 13-14)

“fear God”

Fear of God → “keep His commandments”

“For God will bring every deed into judgment”

“secret things”

Remembering the Redeemer results in _____ & _____.

Deuteronomy 8:1-10

Matthew 7:21-29; 28:18-20

John. 14:23-24

Acts 9:31

2 Corinthians 7:1

Philippians 2:12-13

James 1:22

1 Peter 2: 17

Revelation 19:5

“To fear God is to be sensitive to both his greatness and his graciousness. It is to know him and to love him wholeheartedly and unreservedly.” -Sinclair Ferguson

“If there is no God to judge the world, then human existence is a pointless litigation that ends in meaningless despair.” -Philip Ryken

“We do not respond to God as if God were a monster who seeks to destroy everything good about our lives.” -Zack Eswine

Digging Deeper:

1. Why is it important to remember your Creator?
2. What has God given to help us remember our Creator?
3. If you are not regularly in the Bible, what changes can you make to spend time there?
4. Why is the fear of God so important? How does it grow?
5. Where is obedience lacking in your life? How are you suffering for it now?