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Ecclesiastes

**Lord, search me, and know my heart:
try me and know my thoughts.
Determine if there is any offensive way
in me, and lead me in the way of
everlasting.**

**Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me,
and know my thoughts: And see if there be any
wicked way in me, and lead me in the way
everlasting.**

Psalm 139: 23-24

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Book of Ecclesiastes

Chapter 1

Lord, teach me how to make my labor on this earth profitable.

What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun?

Ecclesiastes 1: 3

Chapter 2

Lord, thank You for giving me food and drink, and for allowing my soul to enjoy good in my labor.

There is nothing better for a man, than that he should eat and drink, and that he should make his soul enjoy good in his labour. This also I saw, that it was from the hand of God.

Ecclesiastes 2: 24

Lord, make me good in Your sight, giving me wisdom, knowledge, and joy. Keep me from sin and travail, gathering and heaping up, that it may be given to him who is good before You.

For God giveth to a man that is good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to him that is good before God. This also is vanity and vexation of spirit.

Ecclesiastes 2: 26

Chapter 3

Lord, thank You for seasons for every thing, and times to every purpose under heaven.

To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8

Chapter 4

Lord, thank You for the truth, that it is better to have a little with quietness, than to have much with trouble and emptiness

Better is an handful with quietness, than both the hands full with travail and vexation of spirit.

Ecclesiastes 4: 6

Chapter 5

Lord, thank You for the truth that it is better to listen to Your wisdom, than to give a foolish sacrifice when I have no understanding.

Keep thy foot when thou goest to the house of God, and be more ready to hear, than to give the sacrifice of fools: for they consider not that they do evil.

Ecclesiastes 5: 1

Chapter 6

Lord, keep evil that is on this earth far from me.

There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it is common among men:

Ecclesiastes 6: 1

Chapter 7

Lord, incline my heart to desire the rebuke of wise men, rather than the praise of fools.

It is better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to hear the song of fools.

Ecclesiastes 7: 5

Lord, thank You for the understanding, that wisdom and money are both a defense, but wisdom gives life to those who have it.

For wisdom is a defence, and money is a defence: but the excellency of knowledge is, that wisdom giveth life to them that have it.

Ecclesiastes 7: 12

Chapter 8

Lord, I trust You to retain power over my spirit, even on the day of my death, and do not allow wickedness to have dominion over me

There is no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither hath he power in the day of death: and there is no discharge in that war; neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.

Ecclesiastes 8: 8

Chapter 9

Lord, keep me dwelling in Your righteousness, so I am not unexpectedly snared in an evil time.

For man also knoweth not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net, and as the birds that are caught in the snare; so are the sons of men snared in an evil time, when it falleth suddenly upon them.

[Ecclesiastes 9: 12](#)

Chapter 10

Lord, cause me to take care in what I say about others, as what I say may lead to my detriment.

Curse not the king, no not in thy thought; and curse not the rich in thy bedchamber: for a bird of the air shall carry the voice, and that which hath wings shall tell the matter.

[Ecclesiastes 10: 20](#)

Chapter 11

Lord, the way of the spirit, and the workings of this earth are too hard for me, and You being God who makes all, I cannot know all Your works.

As thou knowest not what is the way of the spirit, nor how the bones do grow in the womb of her that is with child: even so thou knowest not the works of God who maketh all.

[Ecclesiastes 11: 5](#)

Chapter 12

Lord, cause me to hear Your voice and know the plans You have for me today. Do not let me put you off until my days of youthful life on this earth are over, when I say I have no pleasure in them. Let me enjoy the life You have given me, abiding in Your presence and doing Your will.

Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;

Ecclesiastes 12: 1

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