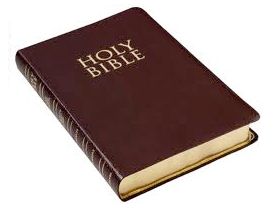




Time 4 Truth

Week of June 8, 2014



Monday

*“Now all has been heard;
here is the conclusion of the matter:
Fear God and keep his commandments,
for this is the duty of all mankind.”
(Ecclesiastes 12:13, NIV)*

Learning the Truth:

After a lifetime of pursuing the meaning of life, Solomon stated that it could be found in honoring and obeying God.

Living the Truth:

Find satisfaction through trust and obedience of God.

Wednesday

*“I undertook great projects:
I built houses for myself and planted vineyards.
I made gardens and parks and planted
all kinds of fruit trees in them.
I made reservoirs to water groves of flourishing trees.”
(Ecclesiastes 2:4–6, NIV)*

Learning the Truth:

Solomon built great homes and gardens to see if the meaning of life could be found in them. Trying to find joy in home and land were like trying to catch the wind. (2:11)

Living the Truth:

Thank God for your home and land, but realize the real purpose for living is found in honoring God.

Tuesday

*“I said to myself, “Come now, I will test you with pleasure to find out what is good.” But that also proved to be meaningless. “Laughter,” I said, “is madness. And what does pleasure accomplish?” I tried cheering myself with wine, and embracing folly—my mind still guiding me with wisdom. I wanted to see what was good for people to do under the heavens during the few days of their lives.”
(Ecclesiastes 2:1–3, NIV)*

Learning the Truth:

Solomon tested to see if meaning in life could be found in the pleasure of laughing & drinking of wine.

Living the Truth:

Find real pleasure by spending time with God today.

Thursday

*“I bought male and female slaves and had other slaves who were born in my house. I also owned more herds and flocks than anyone in Jerusalem before me. I amassed silver and gold for myself, and the treasure of kings and provinces. I acquired male and female singers, and a harem as well—the delights of a man’s heart. I became greater by far than anyone in Jerusalem before me. In all this my wisdom stayed with me.”
(Ecclesiastes 2:7–9, NIV)*

Learning the Truth:

Solomon tested whether the true meaning of life could be found in material possessions. Material possessions last only as long as life, then is vainly left for someone else. (2:17-23)

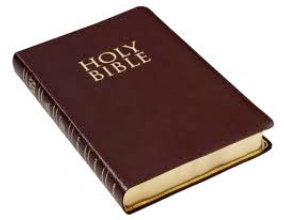
Living the Truth:

Thank God for your possessions and ask Him how you can use them in ministering to other people.

**“Serve the LORD with gladness;
Come before His presence with singing.”
(Psalm 100:2, NKJV)**



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Friday

"I denied myself nothing my eyes desired; I refused my heart no pleasure. My heart took delight in all my labor, and this was the reward for all my toil. Yet when I surveyed all that my hands had done and what I had toiled to achieve, everything was meaningless, a chasing after the wind; nothing was gained under the sun."

(Ecclesiastes 2:10–11, NIV)

Learning the Truth:

Solomon acquired and accomplished all that he wanted, yet this proved to be meaningless.

Living the Truth:

Is there anything you love more than God?
Make the love of God that which you desire and then experience true purpose. Love God! Love People!

Saturday

"Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the duty of all mankind."

(Ecclesiastes 12:13, NIV)

Learning the Truth:

After having all and doing all, Solomon discovered that revering God and doing as He commands to be the means of providing real purpose in life.

Living the Truth:

Loving and worshipping God, true meaning of life!
Come tomorrow as we find joy in worship together.

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