

**These Three Kings:  
On the Life of King Solomon  
September 2, 2007**

**"A Life Remembered"  
Ecclesiastes**

Introduction:

King Solomon's life began with such promise and unrivaled successes, but ended in great disappointment. The book of Ecclesiastes gives a fascinating window into his soul as he reflects on a life of missed opportunity.

Interpretation:

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Application:

## Going Deeper

1. Read through Ecclesiastes. Do you agree with Solomon's observations of meaninglessness of money, pleasure, work, etc...?
2. How would you describe our need to find meaning and purpose? Do you feel that desire in your life?
3. Do you feel like life is moving quickly? How does that make you feel?
4. Why is it that money, power, and/or status cannot satisfy our desire for meaning and purpose?
5. What does it mean to "fear God"? Why is this an essential element to our search for meaning?
6. How can you be more intentionally "meaningful" with your time? How about with your money and with community?
7. When we "fear the Lord" we will find ourselves in awe of His greatness. Would you say that you are in "awe" of God? Why or why not?
8. If your life were to end today, what would people say about you? Are you satisfied with how you would be remembered? If you knew you were going to live much longer, how would you like to be remembered when it was over? Does that require changes in your life?

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