

In Search of the Good Life

Ecclesiastes 5:8 - 6:9

Chiastic Outline of Ecclesiastes 5:8 – 6:9

- A. People Who Cannot Be Satisfied (5:8–12)
 - B. People Who Cannot Enjoy (5:13–17)
 - C. What Is Good (5:18-19)
 - D. Pause to Enjoy the Good Life (5:20)
 - C. What Is Bad (6:1-2)
 - B. People Who Cannot Enjoy (6:3-6)
- A. People Who Cannot Be Satisfied (6:7–9)

Sermon Question

Have You Discovered the Good Life?

Some People Are Never Satisfied in Life

5:8-12

6:7-9

5:13-17
6:1-6
Some People Enjoy the Good Life Everyday 5:18
5:19
5:20

Final Question: Which Person Are You?

Live It!

• Seek the Lord!

• Serve Others!

• Sow Seeds!

Open It

How does our culture define "the good life"? How would you describe the good life?

Consider It

Read Ecclesiastes 5:8 - 6:9.

With what part of the passage do youidentify? And, Why?

How is the pursuit of more evident among the powerful?

Whatharm is caused to others (5:8-9)?

How does the pursuit of wealth affect individuals?

- 5:10-17
- 6:3-9

What is observed as good (5:18-19) and bad (6:1-2)?

What role does God have in bringing or withholding contentment?

- 5:8
- 5:19
- 5:20
- 6:2

How does viewing possessions as a gift from God help us enjoythem more? Can you give an example?

How does King Solomon envision "the good life" in this passage?