



THE WISDOM OF ECCLESIASTES

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INTRO:

Life is made up of a series of choices.

Ecclesiastes 10:1-3

Those who make wise choices have lasting strength.

Those who make unwise choices will be exposed as a fool.

1. THOSE WHO CHOOSE WISDOM ARE STRENGTHENED FOR DIFFICULT DAYS.

Ecclesiastes 10:4-7

2. THOSE WHO CHOOSE WISDOM FIND SUCCESS IN THE END.

Ecclesiastes 10:8-11

3. THOSE WHO CHOOSE WISDOM GAIN THE RESPECT OF OTHERS.

Ecclesiastes 10:12-15

4. THOSE WHO CHOOSE WISDOM LEAD WITH THE END IN MIND.

Ecclesiastes 10:16-20

FURTHER STUDY

1. Read Eccl. 10:1-3. How can understanding your own propensity for foolishness help you when relating to others?
2. There is no foolish mistake so catastrophic that God can't redeem it. How has God redeemed a foolish mistake in your life or the life of someone you know?
3. Read Eccl. 10:4-7. One of the common themes explored in Ecclesiastes is the unexpected and unfair parts of life. What advice do you see here that helps when you encounter those unfair situations?
4. How does having patience and calmness in the presence of injustice demonstrate a deeper faith in God? Conversely, how does a lack of faith or dependence on God manifest itself?
5. Read Eccl. 10:8-11. Think beyond just actions. What habits (actions, thought processes, word usages, etc.) do you have that will inevitably cause harm if you continue them long enough?
6. Read Eccl. 10:12-15. Solomon wants us to think about the natural consequences of our choices. What actions and corresponding consequences does he point out in this section?
7. James 3 is a great companion to Ecclesiastes 10. After reading James 3 along with this chapter, what kinds of dangers do you see that come from being foolish with our words? Why do you think we can be aware of the dangers associated with the tongue and still tend to talk more especially when we know less about a subject?

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