

Message Based Discussion

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Reading: 1 John 1:1-10

What did you like about this message?

What did you find hard to accept or understand?

What does this message teach you about people?

What does this message teach us about God? What does it teach about Jesus?

What will you do now? Based on this message, how will your life change?

How specifically are you going to live out today's lesson?

Who will you tell? With whom will you have a conversation about this message?

1. Logic leads to light (v. 12-14a)

- The question (12)

The Call to Christian Discipleship

Solomon seems quite frustrated by his analysis of life up to this point. He even declares that he hates life in verse 17. It's important to remember that his frustration is limited by his perspective on this side of the sun. As Christians we are expected to grow in our faith (walk) with God. How does your discipleship life demonstrate that you are living for what is beyond the sun?

- The answer (13-14a)

The Call to Missional Living

I wonder how many people, when asked what they hoped for, would respond with, "a better tomorrow"? As Christians we have an eternal hope in Jesus Christ, but we also have a hope for His Bride, the church, today. How do you think the secular world views the church today? Do you think they see in us a hope for tomorrow, or, even better, a hope for eternity? How can you personally, your household corporately, or we as a church live in the eternal hope of Jesus Christ?

Pray

2. Death does not discriminate (v. 14b-17)

- Same event
- Both are forgotten
- Hatred of life

3. Living beyond the sun

- Complete our works (Revelation 3:1-6)
 - * Consistent obedience
 - * Courageous faith
- Rejoice in your destiny (Luke 10:1-12; 17-20)