

24-Apr-2022 | Discussion Questions
The Whole Duty of Man | Eccl. 12:9-14 | Pr Isaac Yim

1. After going through the whole series from Ecclesiastes, can you summarize Ecclesiastes in your own words in one statement?

2. a) Read aloud the whole chapter of Ecclesiastes 12, be honest with yourself, what emotions do you feel as you read this concluding chapter?

b) Do you find it encouraging? Depressing? Sobering? And why?

3. a) Ecclesiastes 12.8 leaves off where the book began (1.2). Vanity of vanities, all is vanity or all is meaningless. Here the Shepherd tells us that everything seems to be fleeting, and so temporary. Are you surprised then that these verses 12.9-14 tell you that it is not?

b) How does verse 14 emphasize that everything matters in our fleeting lives?

4. Explain in your own words, what is the meaning "Fear God," or "The Fear of the Lord"?

5. a) Are you prepared to meet your Creator? The greatest equalizer in life is not death but judgement after death.

Hebrews 9:27 (ESV) "And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment." Ecclesiastes 12:14 (NLT) "God will judge us for everything we do, including every secret thing, whether good or bad."

b) In view of this, what changes will you make in your lifestyle?