

Life Group Questions for the week of January 1 2012.

The future is God's Ecclesiastes 3:13 – 14

1. Read Ecclesiastes 3:13 – 14 again.
In it, Solomon makes statements of fact (what is true) as well as statements of faith (how we can apply it). Go through these two poetic verses and divide each phrase into one of these two categories.
2. What are some things in your life and experience that seem “bent/crooked/ anomalous” to you?
3. Why do we need to be reminded in the day of adversity to stop and “consider” the work of God? Why doesn’t Solomon tell us to do that in the happy day?
4. What prevents us from regularly doing this kind of deep reflection? What could you change about your life and routine that would allow you to have some time to do solemn reflection?
5. I believe we often try to reduce a relationship with God Almighty to simplistic formulas (if I do this..... then God must do that!). I’m not saying this is always wrong because sometimes these are grounded in His promises to us. But why are simplistic “formulas” often wrong and misguided?
6. Pray for one another that each of you could truly accept that life (all of it - the good, bad, and the ugly) is a gift from a good, gracious, and altogether sovereign God who is at work in us.