

Ecclesiastes
Gail Arterburn –2025

Monday, 9:30 – 11:00 am
To be discussed – 02/17/25

Lesson 7
Eccl. 8:1-17

1. Read Eccl. 8:1. What positive effect does wisdom have on a person?

2. Read Eccl. 8:2-8. Why should one obey the King's command according to these verses?

3. Read Romans 13:1-7 and 1 Peter 2:11-17. How does Solomon's advice agree with the biblical view of submission to governmental authorities found in Romans and 1 Peter?

4. Not all those in authority are wise or good; neither will we always agree with their decisions. Then what should we do or not do? Must we always obey those in authority? Why or why not? (See also Acts 5:29)

5. Read Eccl. 8:9-14. List the injustices that Solomon observed in the following verses:
 - V. 9

 - V. 10

 - V. 11

 - V. 12

 - V. 14

 - Why do they persist in their evil? Will that really get away with it? What will be their end result? (v. 11-13)

6. Read Eccl. 8:15-17. What does Solomon recommend we do in light of such inequities and wrongs? Is he saying we should have a good time and ignore the problems around us? (v. 15)

7. What does Solomon conclude about the limits of man's wisdom?