

Ecclesiastes
Gail Arterburn –2025

Monday, 9:30 – 11:00 am
To be discussed – 02/03/25

Lesson 5
Eccl 5:1-20

1. Read Eccl. 5:1-7. According to verse 5:1, what should characterize our approach to God (particularly in worship)?

2. In these 7 verses, we are warned at least six times about being careful with what we say and the danger of many words. Why do you think that is? (Consider Matt. 6:7-8)

3. The practice of our faith does not include the making of vows to the extent found in ancient Judaism. We do make “wedding vows” before God. We may rashly promise God, “I will never speed again if you keep that officer from giving me a ticket.” Should we not mean what we vow to God? What key points does Solomon make about vows to God in vv. 4-7? (See also Numbers 30:2)

4. Read Eccl. 5:8-17. This section again deals with the dangers of the love of money. What observations does Solomon make in the following verses:
 - vv. 8-9

 - v. 10

 - v. 11

 - vv. 12-14

 - vv, 15-16

 - What is his conclusion in v. 17? (see also Luke 12:15)

5. Read Eccl. 5:18 and compare to 5:17. What is different? How do you explain the change?

6. Read Eccl. 5:19-20. What is the right view of wealth?