

SERMON NOTES

Date: July 14, 2019

Title: Work Under the Sun

Text: Ecclesiastes 2:12-26

Big Idea: Earthly work is meaningless without God.

APPLICATION GUIDE

REVIEW THE TEXT

Read Ecclesiastes 2:12-26. What do you find particularly futile about work in a fallen world?

APPLY THE TRUTH

How do you relate to the three reasons Solomon gives for work being meaningless without God?

How do you mistakenly look for ultimate fulfillment or personal identity in your work? What is ultimately wrong with this and how should you change your outlook?

How does God redeem your work and allow you to enjoy the simple fruits of your labor? Be specific and thank God for these fruits (cf. 1 Timothy 4:4-5).

1 Corinthians 15:58 says that a believer's work in the Lord is not in vain. According to this verse, how should that truth shape both your attitudes and actions toward the work God has called you to do?

COMMIT THIS WEEK

Take time to enjoy the simple things in life, remembering to always give God thanks for the fruit of your labor. How are you going to do this this coming week?