

SERMON NOTES PM

WHY AM I HERE?

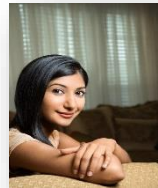
To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

MONEY

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RESPECT

GOOD LOOKS



There are many who say, "Who will show us any good?" Lord, lift up the light of Your countenance upon us. You have put gladness in my heart, more than in the season that their grain and wine increased. I will both lie down in peace, and sleep; for You alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Psalm 4:6-8 (p 618)

FAME

Fame – who remembers

Ecclesiastes 1:3-11 (p 763)

WISDOM

Wisdom – How much can you gain?

Ecclesiastes 1:12-18 (p 764)

PLEASURE

Pleasure – What can you do with it all?

Ecclesiastes 2:1-11 (p 764)

LIFE LESSONS

- ✦ There is a time for _____ *Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 (p 765)*
- ✦ Learn to be content *Ecclesiastes 4:6 (p 767)*
- ✦ There is value in _____ *Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (p 767)*
- ✦ Keep your word *Ecclesiastes 5:2-7 (p 767)*
- ✦ Honor your _____ *Ecclesiastes 7:1-4 (p 769)*
- ✦ Work hard in life *Ecclesiastes 9:10 (p 772)*
- ✦ Seek _____ early in life *Ecclesiastes 11:9-10 (p 772)*
- ✦ Know the nature of life *Ecclesiastes 12:1-5 (p 774)*
- ✦ Understand the nature of _____ *Ecclesiastes 12:6-7 (p 774)*

Hear the conclusion

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man's all. For God will bring every work into judgment, including every secret thing, whether good or evil. Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 (p 774)

The great use of life is to spend it for something that outlasts it. (William James)

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THE CHURCH – ITS WORSHIP

And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching. (Hebrews 10:24-25)

Isaiah 43:7 (p 833)

Appraising the church for our Generation

Why the church exists and what purposes it serves for God and for disciples

1. Is worship meant to be a communal action?
2. Are there advantages to worshipping online?
3. Is community worship different, and if so, how?
4. How does the church fit into the need for community worship?

The Assembly Versus The Non-Assembly

God requires His saints to _____! First day of the week

Jesus rose *Mark 16:9 (p 1176)*

Jesus met with disciples *John 20:19 (p 1250)*

Church _____ *Acts 2 (p 1253)*

N. T. Church assembled *Acts 20:7 (p 1280) 1 Corinthians 16:1-2 (p 1325)*

Breaking of _____ *Acts 20:7 (p 1280) Hebrews 10:25-31 (p 1381)*

Church at Corinth – 1 Corinthians (p 1310)

“Come _____” *11:17,18,20,33,34*

“Come _____” *14:23,26*

“Come _____” *7:5*

“when you are gathered together” 5:4

Acts 9:26 (p 1264)

GOD IS A JEALOUS GOD WHO, IN LOVE, DEMANDS RESPECT AND WORSHIP ACCORDING TO THE TRUTH.

Man picking up sticks: *Numbers 15:32-36 (p 171)*

Nadab and Abihu: *Leviticus 10:1-3 (p 121)*

Why Is Worshipping Together So Important?

Genesis 2:18-24 (p 3) "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him."

Matthew 19:6 = joined together (p 1134)

What Benefits Are There In Collective Worship?

We need each other - created for relationships *1 Corinthians 12:25-26 (p 1321); 1 Corinthians 14:15, 26 (p 1322)*

Edification is a _____ street (singing) *Ephesians 5:19 (p 1346)*

The work of the church involves _____ *Ephesians 4:16 Every part (p 1345); 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3 (p 1356)*

Church is made up of different people *Galatians 3:27-29 (p 1339); Colossians 3:11 (p 1354)*

And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works Hebrews 10:24 (p 1381)

There is a need for stirring one another, and that stirring cannot be done remotely.

Psalms 122:1 (p 711) Psalm 84:10 (p 678) Luke 4:16 (p 1183)