

what's the point?



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When Life Doesn't Make Sense
Ecclesiastes 7:13-18

Three Reminders

1. Things are the way

_____ to be. (v. 13)

2. I will never _____. (v. 14)

3. I can _____, no matter what. (v. 15-18)

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Discussion Questions

1. (V. 13) What specific "work of God" is Solomon pointing to in this verse, and how does that shape the way we interpret both good and hard circumstances?
2. (V. 14) How does this statement challenge a simplistic view of God's role in our lives and how do we reconcile this with the truth that God is not the author of evil?
3. (V. 15-18) What do you think Solomon means by "overly righteous" and "overly wicked," and how do these reflect wrong responses to life's unpredictability?
4. What is a current situation in your life that is hard to "consider" or accept as part of God's work? What makes that difficult?
5. Where do you feel the tension of not understanding what God is doing right now? How do you typically respond - control, frustration, withdrawal, trust, etc.?
6. When life doesn't make sense, do you tend to drift toward bitterness or toward trust? What would it look like this week to actively choose trust in one specific situation?