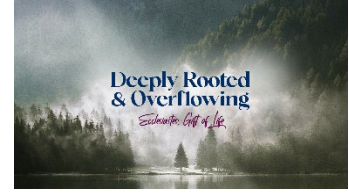


Deeply Rooted & Overflowing

Gift of Life

Ecclesiastes 31-15

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Introduction

Further Study

2 Tim. 3:16-17

Times & Seasons (1-8)

Ps. 139:2-3

Beautifully in Place (9-11)

Acts 1:7
Gen. 8:22
Jms. 1:12
2 Tim. 4:2-4
Dan. 2:21
2 Pet. 3:8
Ps. 31:15

A Gift from God (12-13)

Ps. 37:4
1 Cor. 10:31

Takeaways & Applications:

2 Cor. 4-5

Next Week: Fear God (Ecclesiastes 12)

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<p style="text-align: center;">Deeply Rooted & Overflowing Gift of Life Next Steps: Home-Group Study and/or Personal Discipleship Guide</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ecclesiastes 3</p>
<p>Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!</p> <p>Start with <u>Prayer</u> -ask Jesus to guide our time together. Go over prayer requests together.</p> <p><u>Read the Text</u> – Ecclesiastes 3:1-15 (or whole chapter)</p> <p><u>Questions for Reflection & Discussion:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Take some time in your group discussion or personally to unpack and talk, think, or journal about the various times and seasons of life that you have endured. (vss. 1-8) What have you found to be hopeful and helpful in difficult seasons? What has helped you remain grounded, humble, and faithful in seasons of joy and abundance? 2. How have you learned to discern what the right response is for each time and season of life? Who and/or what has kept you from drifting away, or being tossed about in tumultuous times? How have you been buffeted or held fast in the steady and unsteady times? 3. Give testimony from your life, or journal about the ways that you have seen verse 11a come alive in your life? “God has made everything fit beautifully in its appropriate time...” 4. In consideration of verse 12, what are the current gifts that God has placed in your life that are sources of joy and fulfillment, helping you to enjoy life today? 5. As New Testament believers, living in the light of Jesus, as the Church today, how do verses 12-13 take on a deeper and more complete meaning for us? Re-reading 2 Corinthians 4:16-5:15, what are some indications of fruitful and faithful living through both life’s joy-filled, and difficult seasons? <p><u>Questions guiding Spiritual Formation & Application:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does this text invite us to grow in a greater love for God? 2. What lessons within this text move us towards growing in our love for one another? 3. What principles could be applied to our family life, careers, communities, or congregational life? 4. Consider how Jesus could use our application of the principles in this text to draw those that do not know him, unto himself? 5. Who is currently in our lives that needs an invitation to meet Jesus or be part of a kind and gracious Christian community? 	<p><u>Further Study</u></p> <p>2 Tim. 3:16-17 Ps. 139:2-3 Acts 1:7 Gen. 8:22 Jms. 1:12 2 Tim. 4:2-4 Dan. 2:21 2 Pet. 3:8 Ps. 31:15 Ps. 37:4 1 Cor. 10:31 2 Cor. 4-5</p> <p><u>Prayer Requests</u></p> <p>Family</p> <p>Church</p> <p>Community</p> <p>Career/Friends</p> <p>Other</p>