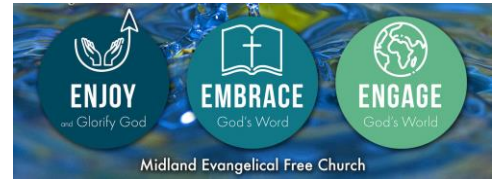




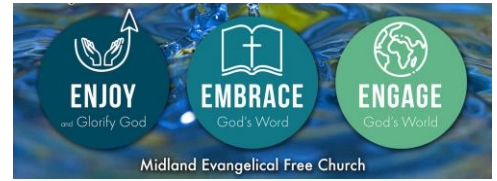
Life Group Questions
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Scripture: Ecclesiastes 5:8-6:12

- 1) What would you say is the theme of the book of Ecclesiastes? ⁱ
- 2) How does Ecclesiastes 5:18-19 relate to what came before (Ecclesiastes 2:24-26)ⁱⁱ?
- 3) How would you describe our culture's attitude towards wealth and possessions?
- 4) How would you describe a Biblical perspective on money?(Eccl 4:6; 5:7;1Timothy 6:6 ff)ⁱⁱⁱ
- 5) What are some practical ways you can effectively manage the resources God has given you?
- 6) What are some pitfalls to avoid?
- 7) Going into the holidays, do you have a plan to control your spending rather than letting it control you? If so, what limits did you set?
- 8) Can you think of any other creative ways to bless others outside of your immediate family with your holiday giving? What might be some examples?
- 9) Where can we find joy, regardless of how much we have or don't have? Please provide some of the examples that the author gives in Ecclesiastes 5:18-19.
- 10) What is the greatest profit or benefit one can possibly hope to gain (Phil 1:21)?
- 11) What is it that we have right now, that never changes, regardless of our state (Hebrews 13:5)?



ⁱ I MIGHT say it something like this... *Believe in a SOVEREIGN God, accept your portion, embrace it fully, and TRUST Him for the outcome.*

ⁱⁱ Ecclesiastes 2:24–26 ²⁴ There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, ²⁵ for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? ²⁶ For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind. (ESV)

ⁱⁱⁱ **MONEY**

Ecclesiastes 4:6 (ESV)

⁶Better is a handful of quietness than two hands full of toil and a striving after wind.

1 Timothy 6:6–12 (ESV)

⁶But godliness with contentment is great gain,

⁷for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world.

⁸But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content.

⁹But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.

¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

¹¹But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness.

¹²Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.