Ecclesiastes

Finding Joy in a Fallen World

ECCLESIASTES 7:15-29

Overview

When sin entered the world through Adam and Eve, the fabric of creation and the spiritual DNA of humanity was damaged. Sin has permeated the human experience ever since. The struggles of life under the sun find their explanation in that reality. However, by God's grace, that same struggle points you to an all-sufficient Savior.

Notes

Fear God as you…

1. Guard against sinful reactions [vertical] verses 13-18

2. Navigate broken relationships [horizontal] verses 19-22

3. See your sin problem [universal] verses 23-29

Personal Application

How will you look to your Savior as you fight sin this week?

Reflection Questions

1. What is the frustration the Preacher offers in verse 15? How do you explain that tension in your own words?
2. Do you struggle with either of the sinful reactions in verses 16-17? Is there a different struggle for when life doesn't go your way?
3. Why is fearing God the solution in verse 18? What does that look like practically?
4. How has sin impacted human relationships? How can you pursue both wisdom and humility in how you navigate them?
5. Locate and read multiple verses from Scripture that point to Jesus Christ as Savior. Spend some time praising God for his work of salvation.
6. What has this passage and discussion pointed out for you to focus on in the weeks ahead?