

Topic: Study of Ecclesiastes: Diligence Demanded

Scripture text: Ecclesiastes 11:1-10

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1. Many people have a wrong understanding in waiting for the 2nd coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. The cults will advocate a certain date and time to sit at a mountain top to wait for Christ to come. There are others who will simply do nothing and simply say they are waiting for Christ.
2. The Bible teaches us to be diligent in waiting for Christ to come again. We must not excuse ourselves from our human responsibility to work hard. In verse 1 to cast thy bread upon many waters is to labour hard in sending many ships so there will be results. We reap what we sow. The Bible teaches us that if one will not to work, let him not eat.
3. The Bible also reminded us that we do not know the future so we must acknowledge God's sovereignty in all our work and planning. We are to submit to God's will and His leading and direction for our lives. We should not be frustrated when things don't fall according to our plans. God's will is the best for us.
4. We also learn the lesson to be disciplined in life in verse 6. Just like a farmer who has a set time to sow the seeds and reap the harvest, we must be disciplined to follow and do our work on time and to do it well for the Lord.
5. In v.7-10, we learn that we must not neglect to be diligent in pursuit of holiness. We must devote ourselves to God and follow Him and to know that one day God will bring all our works to judgment. Let us rejoice in our labour for the Lord.