Topic: Studies in Ecclesiastes: Vain Words

Scripture text: Ecclesiastes 5: 1-7

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- 1. Ecclesiastes chapters 1 to 4 teaches us that living a life without God is indeed vanity of vanities as one lives under the sun. Chapters 5 to 12 teach us how to live a life worth living which is living above the sun for the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 2. To live a life with purpose for the Lord, verses.1-7 teaches us that our lives must be characterized by profitable words, and not vain words. The warning is not to use vain words in the House of God.
- 3. When we worship the Lord, we must mean what we sing unto the Lord. We must know the Lord is in His Holy Temple and sees everything in our hearts. We are also to keep our foot which is to guard our lives. Our preparation for worship on the Lord's Day ought to be daily to live according to God's Word.
- 4. We must also be more ready to hear by being teachable and humble before God. It is not just in God's House but everywhere we are, we are not to speak vain words as God will judge us with it. We are to be careful when we make any oaths to be sure we keep them and take them seriously before God.
- 5. Let us not be talebearers or gossipers but rather fear God and watch every word that we speak. Our vain words can destroy relationship and the church. Indeed beware of the tongue which no man can tame (James 3:8).