



The purpose of this column is to help you study the Bible on your own. Look up the Bible references and think about them before writing your answers. Do not send this study to us, as this is not a correspondence course.

DISCOVER WHAT THE PREACHER HAS TO SAY IN
ECCLESIASTES
 CHAPTER 12 – By Alan Groth

“Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man’s all. For God will bring every work into judgment, including every secret thing, whether good or evil.”
 —Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 NKJV

In this last chapter of Ecclesiastes, the Preacher uses a graphic description of what happens when a man gets old to exhort him to remember his Creator while he is young. Then he concludes the chapter with what man should do while he lives.

Read Ecclesiastes 12

1. When should a man remember His Creator? _____

2. Why should he do so? _____

3. What is he describing in verses 2-7? _____

4. The Preacher uses word pictures to describe a number of stages leading to death. In your own words, explain what he is saying in:

v.2 _____

v.3 _____

v.4 _____

v.5 _____

v.6 _____

v.7 _____

5. As the Preacher wrote in the first chapter, so he writes in this last chapter. He says, “ _____ v.8.”

6. In verse 9, what did the Preacher do for the people? _____

7. How did he do this? _____

8. What are these like? _____

9. Who did he admonish by these? _____

10. The conclusion is that we are to _____ God and keep His _____ because He will bring every work into _____.

The Preacher is still teaching through acceptable words, words of truth. He has written them for our learning. Continue to study them!

Next month we’ll *Discover* what the New Testament
 has to say about wisdom.