

THINK ON
THESE
THINGS

PHILIPPIANS 4:8

To Everything a Season



THE IMMEDIATE CONTEXT

EccL 3:1-8

- **This Transitory Life**
 - **A Time for Everything**
 - **The Good and the Bad**

v. 1; 8:5-7

3:1-8



THE IMMEDIATE CONTEXT

EccL 3:1-8

- **Our Inability to Control It**
 - **Little Within Our Control**
 - **“A Time” Unknown to Us**

1:15; 7:13, 14

9:12



WHAT WE CAN KNOW FROM THIS

- **Change is Certain**

- **Everything is Cyclical**

1:4-7, 9

- **So We Will Seek God!**

3:14, 15; Gen. 8:22



WHAT WE CAN KNOW FROM THIS

- **Focus on the Earthly? Stressful & Foolish**
 - **Distressing** **2:11, 17**
 - **Foolish** **2:18, 19; 5:10, 15**



WHAT WE CAN KNOW FROM THIS

- **To Enjoy What We Have**

- **“Nothing Better”**

2:24; 3:9–13, 22; 5:18

- **But Know . . .**

11:9, 10



WHAT THIS SHOULD MEAN TO US

- **Seek and Serve the Unchanging God**

- **God Does Not Change**

Malachi 3:6; 1st Peter 1:23

- **Jesus Does Not Change**

Hebrews 11:8; 6:19, 20



WHAT THIS SHOULD MEAN TO US

- **We Must Have a Higher Focus**
 - **Minds Set on Things Above**

Colossians 3:1, 2

- **Looking for a Heavenly Home**

Hebrews 11:13-16; 2nd Corinthians 5:1-7



WHAT THIS SHOULD MEAN TO US

- **Now is the Time For . . .**

- **Your Salvation**

2nd Corinthians 6:1, 2; Mark 16:16

- **Preparing**

1st Thessalonians 5:1-6

