

10/8/23, Ecclesiastes 7:5-6 "The Rebuke of the Wise"

Ecclesiastes 1-7:4

- 1, every generation like vanity or a breath (הַבֶּבל) in the scheme of things
- 2, every pursuit in life is like grasping at breath exhaled; & all that is left is to glorify God & enjoy Him (2:24-26)
- **3**, presents the whole of life with its individual parts, expressing our need to trust the sovereign God.
- 4, presents our God-ordained need of companionship and the integral connection between the 1st great commandment & also the 2nd
- **5:1-7**, hearing from Christ & speaking to Christ must be founded upon **godly fear**

5:8-6:9, a Hebrew chiasmus (or chiasm)

6:10-12, a summary; a segue; an introduction

7:1a, מוֹב שֶׁם מִשֶּׁמֵן מוֹב (tōv shām, mish-she-MEN tōv)

7:1b, יִוֹם הַמְּנֵוֶת מִיּוֹם הָנָלְדוֹ (v'-YŌM ham-MA-vet MIY-yōm hiv-val-DŌ)

7:2-4, sorrow & repentance are graces to embrace, enjoy, & employ daily; wisdom abides eternally at the cross, while silly mirth delights in the temporary shelter of "Your Best Life Now"

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Preface & Perspective: 2 Tim 3:16-17

Proverbial: Pro 12:1

Poetic: שִׁיר בְּסִילִים | כִּי כְקוֹל הַסִּירִים תַּחַת הַסִּיר |

sheeyr kh'-see-LEEYM | **v6** kheey kh'-QŌL ha-seey-REEYM tha-CHATha-SEEYR

"...song of the silly: | For as crackling of thorns beneath the pot..."

a. Job 20:5

Prophetic: Luke 2:52; Heb 5:8

Prolific: Heb 5:9; 12:5-8; Rev 3:19