The Words of the Preacher: ECCLESIASTES Life Under the Sun A Life of Faith Ecclesiastes 11:1-6

PASTOR'S PRAYER

Almighty God, you are good, true and faithful. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; you have established the earth, and it stands fast. Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. We confess our frequent attempts to order our own lives and to manage those around us as if we are to order and govern our lives for our own glory. We are so quick to doubt your goodness and care for us. We run off regularly attempting to make ourselves known or to simply bring more comfort into our lives; but seldom do we look to you, your glory, your Word by prayer and submit to everyday, ordinary faith & obedience in our everyday lives. Oh give us eyes to see and pursue faith in Christ as we wander in this world of vanity. And cause us to rest in your plan, your good and perfect providence for our lives that we might walk by faith, with joy and remembrance of your constant working in our midst for your name's sake. We ask these things in Christ's great and faithful name. Amen & Amen.

OUTLINE

- 1. A Life of Faith (11:1-6)
- 2. A Life of Joy (11:7-10)
- 3. A Life of Remembrance (12:1-8)

Central Textual Truth

The Preacher calls Israel to a life of radical faithfulness. **Central Sermon Aim** I want SGBC to live by faith in Christ's faithfulness.