

# ***The Words of the Preacher: ECCLESIASTES***

***Life Under the Sun***

***Pleasure's Failure***

***Ecclesiastes 2:1-11***

## **PASTOR'S PRAYER**

Almighty Father God, Maker of heaven and earth. You are good. Your presence is our only joy & satisfaction. You are the LORD, God in heaven and yet you bid us call you Father, Savior and Comforter. Blessed be your name! We confess our attempts to find good and joy in this world alone. You created us and placed us in your creation to enjoy & to remind us of your goodness and yet we turn away from you, rebel and insist to live for the creation instead of bowing to our good Creator. If your creation can bring such good things though fleeting, then how much more must your eternal goodness satisfy our weary, languishing souls. Turn us to trust Christ this morning by the power of your Spirit that we might drink deeply of your goodness. Satisfy us this morning with your steadfast love and cause our hearts to rejoice in your goodness toward us. Do these things this morning for your good name's sake, oh LORD Jesus, our sufficient, satisfying Savior. Amen & Amen

## **OUTLINE**

1. Pleasure Pursued (vv. 1-3)
2. Pleasure Produced (vv. 4-8)
3. Pleasure Proved (vv. 9-11)

### ***Central Textual Truth***

*The Preacher proves pleasure is unable to remove vanity.*

### ***Central Sermon Aim***

*I want SGBC to cling to Christ by faith our great pleasure and fullness of joy.*