Ecclesiastes 11-12:8 A Road Map for Kingdom Entrepreneurs





What is your "grain"?





Invest radically





Just get started





God is at work... So no failure in faithfulness





You are on the clock!





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"Remembering that I'll be dead soon is the most important tool I've ever encountered to help me make the big choices in life. Because almost every thing—

all external expectations, all pride, all fear of embarrassment or failure— these things just fall away in the face of death, leaving only what is truly important."

—Steve Jobs

Small Group Discussion Questions (Ecclesiastes 11:1-12:8) October 29, 2015

Allow each person in your group to answer one of the following questions:

- ➤ What questions did this week's reading raise for you?
- ➤ Did you learn anything new?
- ➤ What encouraged you the most?
- ➤ In what ways will you apply what you learned? Be specific.
- ➤ Think of one thing you learned. Who can you encourage with this truth?
- Are you more of a play-it-safe person or a risk taker? How does your personality influence your desire to invest your time, talents, gifts, or money in Kingdom purposes? How might God be calling you to change? What "bread" (gifts, talents, and resources) has God given to you to invest for His purposes?
- Some potential "kingdom entrepreneurs" choose inaction because of uncertainty (Ecclesiastes 11:3-4, 6). In what areas of your life have you been afraid to move forward for fear of failure or uncertainty around forces beyond your control? If so, how can you move beyond these, trust the Lord for the things you can't control (Ecclesiastes 11:5), and begin to move forward?
- Now that you have thought about how God has resourced you, and you've given Him your fear of failure or lack of control over circumstances beyond your control, what project, dream, idea, or initiative have you been postponing? What is the first step you need to take to begin moving forward (Ecclesiastes 11:6)? Who can you ask to hold you accountable to move forward with it?
- What is your "life sentence" (how will people sum up your life when you are gone)? As you get older, how can you live in the present, but with an eternal mindset (Ecclesiastes. 3:11), making the most of every opportunity (Ecclesiastes 12:1)?