



Your Life Is In God's Hands – Not Yours!



We're All Headed To The Same
Place.

The grave.

If You're Alive, There's Hope!





Live Each Day To The Fullest
Because We Don't Know If
We'll Have Tomorrow.

Wisdom Is Your Greatest Asset



Small Group Discussion Questions
(Ecclesiastes 9:2-18)
October 15, 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?*
- Ecclesiastes 9:4 (NIV) states, "Anyone who is among the living has hope—even a live dog is better off than a dead lion!" What do you think this means? How should this inform the way that we face each day?
 - How do you invest your time, talents, and treasure? Do you realize that any memory of you will ultimately be lost to history (Ecclesiastes 9:5)? How should this thought inform the way you invest your time, talents, and treasure from now on? Is it worth focusing your time, talents, and treasure on yourself or on something or someone greater than yourself?
 - Ecclesiastes 9:10 says, "Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might" God has specifically given you a job that should be done for his glory (Colossians 3:17, 23-24). Do you view your job as working to honor and glorify God or simply as a necessary, burdensome task to make money? How can you work to make the most of what God has given you?
 - Do you tend to live for the distant future, or do you focus on every day as a gift from God? How do you think we should live in light of Ecclesiastes 9:11-12?
 - The last section of Ecclesiastes 9 makes it clear that wisdom is better than strength. How have you seen this play out in the world, in your life? How does 1 Timothy 4:8 inform this passage?