

# LG | Guide

[Ecclesiastes 3:1-13]

## WARM-UP (10 mins)

It is likely that everyone present had a very busy day, maybe even a trying day. Let's take a moment to still our minds and go to the Lord in prayer.

- When you reflect back on Sunday's sermon, what impacted you the most? Anything that stirred your affection towards the Lord?

## ILLUMINATE (40 mins)

Open your Bibles to the primary text.

1. Many scholars believe the author of Ecclesiastes to be David's son, king Solomon (The Preacher). It is believed that his audience is an assembly of some kind that is socioeconomically diverse (royal counselors as well as farmers). Let's read our text. Have you read this before? What are your initial thoughts of this text?
2. Who remembers what the punishment of the Fall was? Where do we find this in the Bible? How does this text shed light on our collective punishment in the Fall?
3. Romans 8:20 says that all of creation has been "subjected to futility." What do you think Paul was saying?
4. Given the seasonal and temporal nature of our lives and our work, what do you think this author is leading us to understand?
5. What does this text make you consider in your own lives?
6. If someone was struggling with the trying seasons of life. How would you use this text to counsel them?
7. How can we teach something like this to our kids?

## PRAY (10 mins)

Use this time to pray specifically. Pray for the needs of others; locally and abroad.