

GRACE POINT

Under the Sun Part 3: Sunrise, Sunset

Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

1. What was most memorable, challenging, or encouraging from the message this week?
2. Share about a season in your life that was beautiful but ended too soon.
3. Tim said life sometimes feels like a dryer in a laundromat; it goes around and around and around, and those of us who are in it, end up wrinkled at the end. Do you agree or disagree with that analogy? Why?
4. Read Ecclesiastes 3:1-8. Why do you think God allows us to go through hard times? Why do you think God allows us to go through good times?
5. What questions do you tend to ask—of God and yourself—when things are challenging and it doesn't make sense?
6. Read Ecclesiastes 3:11. Have you ever experienced God making something beautiful that didn't seem like it could be?
7. How do you need to move from boredom into awe? What steps will you take this week to focus on the beauty of Jesus?

MOVING FORWARD

Life is like a dryer in a laundromat, it goes around and around and around, and those of us in it end up wrinkled. This seems to be what the teacher is saying in chapter three. Life under the sun is boring, mundane, and purposeless. But the good news is that living under the sun is not all there is. If you find yourself bored with life, soak in the awesomeness of Jesus.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil—this is the gift of God.

Ecclesiastes 3:13