




Week 4 - All is Vanity

 Bottom Line	 Goal of the lesson	 Scripture
Nothing in life will truly satisfy us apart from God.	For students to learn and own, on any level, that when we search for meaning apart from God, we lose our core meaning and purpose in life...and what it means to live well in this world.	Acts 3:11–12; 4:1–3, 5–12, 15–21

??? Small Group Questions

- Re-read 7:1-14
 - Which of these proverbs was the most challenging for you? Did you like or understand any of them? Explain.
 - Take a stab at explaining any of these apparent opposites. Why does the Critic say these things?
 - How are you with thinking about your mortality or about being sad or taking criticism? How are these things connected to living well with God in control?
- Re-read Ecclesiastes 7:15-29
 - What verses or phrases stood out to you? Why?
 - Which have you learned more from: good times or hard times? Explain.
 - What can we do to develop a mindset that sees problems and pain as an opportunity to learn from God?
- Re-read Ecclesiastes 8:1-17
 - What verses or phrases stood out to you? Why?
 - Who are some of the most difficult authority figures in your life to obey? Why?
- Read Acts 3:11–12; 4:1–3, 5–12, 15–21...a post-Jesus story of Peter and Paul healing a crippled man and preaching Jesus against the demands of the authority figures over them.
 - Have you ever been in a situation when you were forced to choose between obeying humans and obeying God? How would you describe that situation? What decision did you make?

Closing Activity



Take prayer requests and pray in your small groups.