

A man with a beard and glasses is relaxing in a white hammock on a tropical beach. He is holding a red drink with a straw and a slice of orange. The background features a bright sun, palm trees, and a blue ocean. The scene is set against a light blue sky and a yellow beach.

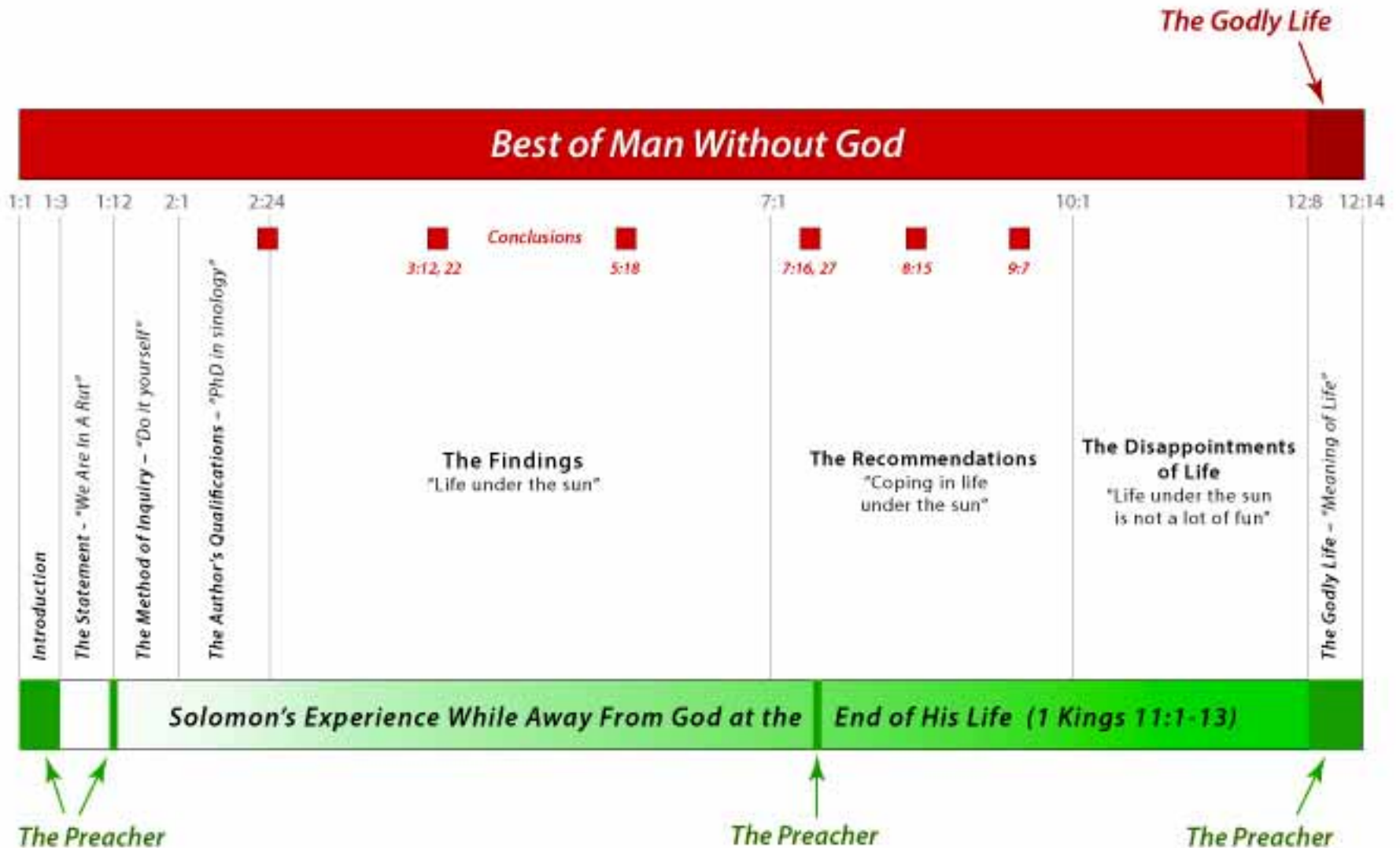
Life Under The Sun

What Will Be, Will Be?

Ecclesiastes 3:1 – 11

Outline of Ecclesiastes

What Is Life Like Under The Sun?



**I AM AN
ATHEIST**

“ because there is
no evidence for
the existence of
God. That should
be all that needs
to be said about it:

**no evidence,
no belief.”**

– Dan Barker,
Losing Faith in Faith

Atheist Republic .com

**. . . because that which is known about
God is evident within them; for God made
it evident to them.**

Romans 1:19

. . . in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them . . .

Romans 2:15

The fool has said in his heart, “There is no God.” They are corrupt, they have committed abominable deeds; there is no one who does good.

Ps. 14:1

ON MISSION

ATHEISTS WANT TO ABORT BABY JESUS

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A billboard advertisement for American Atheists. On the left side, there is a photograph of a man dressed as Santa Claus, with a white beard and a red hat, smiling and pointing his right index finger towards the text. The background of the billboard is dark with some bokeh light effects. The text is written in a serif font. The word "church" is highlighted in red.

Go ahead and **skip church!**
Just be good for goodness' sake.
Happy Holidays!


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Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is to

skip church!

I'm too old for fairy tales.

Que Sera, Sera

**When I was just a little girl
I asked my mother, what will I be
Will I be pretty, will I be rich
Here's what she said to me.**

**Que Sera, Sera,
Whatever will be, will be
The future's not ours, to see
Que Sera, Sera
What will be, will be.**

Searched For Meaning In Life


Conclusion:

- No meaning in pleasure*
- No meaning in wisdom*
- No meaning in labor*





There Is No Lasting Satisfaction!

A sunset scene with a lone tree on a path. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm glow over the landscape. The sky transitions from a deep orange near the horizon to a pale blue at the top. A single, leafless tree stands on a path that leads towards the horizon. The ground is dark and textured, possibly a field or a road.

***“life under
the sun”***

“Nothing better than to . . .”

- ***Eat***
- ***Drink***
- ***Enjoy your work***

Time For Everything

Ecclesiastes 3:1

“Appointed time”

↳ “definite time”

“time for every event”

↳ “event involving emotion”



Details About Emptiness of Labor

Ecclesiastes 3:2 - 8

Patterns in each verse:

- Two sentences***
- Sentences are similar***
- First part of each sentence contrasts to the last part of the sentence***



Time: Birth, Die, Plant & Uproot

Ecclesiastes 3:2

Time to give birth – 1 Sam. 1:5-6; Gen. 29:31

Time to die – Ps. 90:9-11; Job 14:5

Time to plant – Acts 14:17

Time to uproot – Isa. 28:24

Time: Kill, Heal, Tear Down & Build

Ecclesiastes 3:3

Time to kill –

Lev. 24:17-22

Time to heal –

Occur when one is sick

Time to tear down –

The old . . .

Time to build up –

. . . to build the new

Time: Weep, Laugh, Mourn & Dance

Ecclesiastes 3:4

Time to weep –

Rom. 12:15

Time to laugh –

Rom. 12:15

Time to mourn –

When someone dies

Time to dance –

When someone marries

Time: Stones & Hugging

Ecclesiastes 3:5

***Time to throw stones
& gather stones***

***– Appears to refer to
sexual activity***

***Time to embrace &
shun embracing***

***– Expression of
friendship & marital
warmth***

Time: Search, Lost, Keep & Throw

Ecclesiastes 3:6

***Time to search and
stop searching***

***– Search for lost
items & stop
searching***

***Time to keep and
throw away***

***– We buy something &
later throw it away***

Time: Sewing & Speech

Ecclesiastes 3:7

***Time to tear apart &
sew together***

– Process of sewing

***Time to be silent and
to speak***

***– James 1:19. Quick to
hear and slow to
speak.***

Time: Love, Hate, War & Peace

Ecclesiastes 3:8

Time to love and hate – ***Matt. 5:43-46;***
Matt. 22:36-39
Ps. 97:10

Time for war and for – ***Romans 13:1-4***
peace

Profit of Man's Toil?

Ecclesiastes 3:9 -10

- 1. Man cannot always accomplish what he works hard to achieve.***
- 2. Man's plans are overruled by God's plans.***

Isaiah 14:27

James 4:13

Everything Is Beautiful In Time

Ecclesiastes 3:11

1. God works everything so that everything is beautiful in time.

2. God has given man a desire to know the past and future . . .

3. But man cannot know!

Rom. 8:28

Matt. 6:9-10

Promises For Us

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11

Have satisfaction –

Matt. 5:6

Have our needs met –

Matt. 6:33

Have everything beautiful –

Rom. 8:28

Have comfort –

1 Peter 5:7

Have Him with you –

Matt. 28:19-20