

**Our God of the Second Chance**  
**Getting to Know God—Part 1**  
**Ecclesiastes**  
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**What is it that Solomon experimented with that he found meaningless?**

1. \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. A massive \_\_\_\_\_ project.
4. He then purchased hundreds of \_\_\_\_\_  
and possessed \_\_\_\_\_ and herds that were larger than  
anyone had ever owned.
5. He then moved into \_\_\_\_\_ precious gems and silver  
and gold.
6. He even brought in the best \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
in the world to entertain him.
7. He turned to the pleasures of \_\_\_\_\_ relationships.
8. He turned to something that is still very popular today—his  
\_\_\_\_\_.

**After experimenting with everything he could think of, he realized that there had to be more to life.**

If life is only lived on the \_\_\_\_\_ level we will be empty.

In his wisdom, Solomon concluded that life is also meant to be lived on the  
\_\_\_\_\_ level.

Ecclesiastes 12:13: “Now all has been heard: here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.”

**The meaning here is this:**

\_\_\_\_\_ God and keep his commandments, for this is the  
\_\_\_\_\_ of man.

**When you shake everything down, there are really only two things that matter:**

1. We need to take God \_\_\_\_\_.

2. We need to do what God \_\_\_\_\_.

**Because He is God, we need to obey Him.**

Verse 14: "For God will bring every deed into judgment, including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil."

**Let's learn from Solomon's experience:**

1. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ God and \_\_\_\_\_ to Him.

2. We are to \_\_\_\_\_ Him and \_\_\_\_\_ Him.