

...a time to die; ...

... [man's] days are determined, and the number of his months is with you, and you have appointed his limits that he cannot pass, Job 14:5

...they were seeking to arrest [Jesus], but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come. John 7:30

... it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment. Hebrews 9:27

... a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted

... as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring harm, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, declares the LORD. Jeremiah 31:28

a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance

For [God's] anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning. Psalm 30:5

You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, Psalm 30:11

Ecclesiastes 3:6

ESV a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;

NKJV ...gain, ... lose; ...keep, ...throw away; -

NLT ...search ...quit searching...keep ...throw away.

NASB ...search ...give up as lost...keep ...throw away. -

...put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life, ... put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. Ephesians 4:22, 24

Whoever walks with the wise becomes wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm. Proverbs 13:20

One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. Proverbs 11:24

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these... Matthew 6:33



... I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:11-13

...a time to keep silence...

But when [Jesus] was accused by the chief priests and elders, he gave no answer. Matthew 27:12

...Pilate said to [Jesus], "Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?" But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. Matthew 27:13-14

When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. 1 Peter 2:23

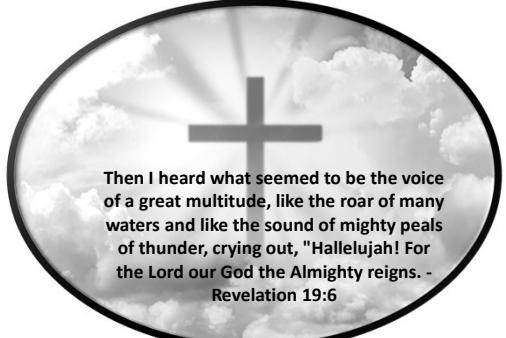
A time to speak...

when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. ... I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:3, 5

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:19-20


Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. - Revelation 19:6

When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. - Matthew 10:19-20

...a time to kill...

Any ...who gives any of his children to Molech shall surely be put to death. Leviticus 20:2

Whoever takes a human life shall surely be put to death. Leviticus 24:17

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...a time for war...

you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom...Matthew 24:6-7

Does God kill?

...I, even I, am he, and there is no god beside me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand. Deuteronomy 32:29

...The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to [the grave] and raises up. 1 Samuel 2:6

...he wounds, but he binds up; he shatters, but his hands heal. Job 5:18

Does God hate?

He who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous are ...an abomination to the LORD. - Proverbs 17:15

The LORD ... hates the wicked and the one who loves violence. Psalm 11:5

There are six things that the LORD hates, seven that are an abomination to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that make haste to run to evil, a false witness who breathes out lies, and one who sows discord among brothers. Proverbs 6:16-19

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8

The Lord is... patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance 2 Peter 3:9

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Colossians 1:13-14

A time to hate...

Do I not hate those who hate you, O LORD? And do I not loathe those who rise up against you?
Psalm 139:21

...Should you help the wicked and love those who hate the LORD? 2 Chronicles 19:2

The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil.... Proverbs 8:13

"The more we understand God's attributes and love His character, the more we will be like Him and the more we will hate those things that are contrary to His Word and nature."

We are to love our enemies:

Matthew 5:43-44 You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ...

We are to be respectful to everyone:

Peter 2:17 Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God.

Honor the emperor.

1 Timothy 2:1 I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people

We speak the truth in love and humility

Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death...

Galatians 6:1 Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keepwatch on yourself, lest you too be tempted.

Only God understands Eternity

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." - Revelation 1:8

God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I AM has sent me to you.'" - Exodus 3:14

Jesus has experienced both Time and Eternity

Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." John 8:58

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Hebrews 13:8

Psalms: prayer, praise, intimate

Proverbs: primarily instructional

Ecclesiastes is like a journal.

1. What can we do to gain satisfaction, lasting joy, fulfilment in this life?
2. Is there an answer from what we can observe under the sun, on this earth?



For who can prove that the human spirit goes up and the spirit of animals goes down into the earth?

- Ecclesiastes 3:21 NLT

- 1. God is gracious loving, and merciful
- 2. He sees the sparrow that falls
- 3. Heaven is glorious, lacking nothing



Ecclesiastes 3:12, 13,22

Man in his pomp yet
without understanding is
like the beasts that
perish. Psalm 49:20

For when he dies he will
carry nothing away; his
glory will not go down
after him. Psalm 49:17

