



Why Do I Still Feel Empty? Ecclesiastes 2:1-26

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*“When I surveyed all that my hands
had done and what I had toiled to
achieve, everything was meaningless,
a chasing after the wind;
nothing was gained under the sun.”
Ecc.2:11*

Where can you find lasting meaning?
The man who had it all and tried it all
shares his conclusions.

Today be ready to learn from the
“Preacher” as he points to the real
source of lasting satisfaction and joy.

Sermon Notes *Ecclesiastes 2:1-26 Phi 1:18-21*
Life's Big Questions: Where Do I Find Meaning?

1. The Emptiness of Personal Pursuits

Meaning in Pleasures?

laughter wine parties

projects houses gardens leisure

toys money music unlimited sex

Meaning in wisdom? still ends in death. (2: 12-16)

A lack of eternal meaning will turn your heart bitter. (2:17-23)

Meaning as we live the moment in light of eternity. (2:24)

2. The Essence of a Meaningful Life in Christ

Rejoice in what is important: Christ is preached (Phi 1: 18)

Rejoice in the moment: Christ is my life (1:18)

Rejoice in prayers of others: Christ's Spirit helps us (1:19)

Rejoice in future: Christ glorified (1:20)