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**Writer**

**Theme**

**A question**

**Illustrations**

**Personal Pursuits**

- Knowledge
- Pleasure
- Possessions
- Madness and folly
- Work
- Power
- Wealth

**Conclusions**

**Without God’s help:** Humans cannot discover what is good for them to do.

**Without God’s revelation:** Humans do not know what will come after them.

**A warning to the young**

**A picture of old age**

**A final admission**

**The End of the Search**

- Fear God!
- Obey Him!
- Someday you will face Him!

**REALM**

- Nature
- Philosophy
- Materialism
- Fatalism
- Relationships

**Theology**

**STYLE**

- Proverbial, personal, poetical

**THEME**

- The meaninglessness of life apart from God

**KEY VERSES**

- Ecclesiastes 2:11; 12:13–14

**CHRIST IN ECCLESIASTES**

- The Shepherd (Eccl. 12:11) who offers abundant life (John 10:10)