

Life has a Purpose, Fulfill it

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14

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The charge: Shama, Let us hear to obey

The conclusion: End with the beginning

1. Fear God
2. Keep His commandments
3. Judgment is coming

“And in the end, it’s not the years in your life that count. It is the life in your years.”

I. Fear God

vs. 12:13a

Humble reverence

Acknowledge His Deity- The Eternal God

Without beginning- All-powerful

Without change- All-knowing

Without limits- All-present

He is Infinite- Immutable- Sovereign

I. Fear God

vs. 12:13a

Loving respect

-His truth

-His justice

-His love

“The remarkable thing about fearing God is that when you fear God, you fear nothing else; whereas, if you do not fear God, you fear everything else.” Oswald Chambers

II. Keep His Commandments

vs. 12:13b

Love Him!

Honor

Obedience

Worship

II. Keep His Commandments

vs. 12:13b

Love others!

Christ- Exemplified

World- Evangelized

The Lord- Glorified

This is the whole man

God's plan- Our purpose

III. Judgment is Coming

vs. 12:14

"For God"- The Great Judge

"Shall bring"- in power and certainty

"Every work into judgment"

everything seen~ everything secret

everything good~ everything evil

The Preacher's Conclusion:

~Life is Exciting~

~Life is a Gift~

~Life is an Education~

~Life has Purpose~

Fear God!

Humble reverence

Loving respect

Follow God!

Love Him

Love others

For God!

is God

will judge