

- "Where has the time gone?"
- "Time flies by so quickly!"

• "There just isn't enough hours in a day!"

Have you ever made such statements? Ever hear others say them?

These pretty well sum up our view of time — it goes by all too quickly!

Not surprisingly, the Scriptures already had a similar statement regarding how quickly time flies —

"For what is your life? For it is a vapor, which appears for a little time, and then disappears."

— James 4:14b

It seems we are all in a hurry these days. We rush here and we rush there, yet for all our hurrying, we still feel we never get enough done in a day!

King Solomon of old had everything it seemed — wealth, wisdom and women. But when it came right down to it, he had this to say about all of his worldly goods and his lifestyle —

"Then I looked on all the works that my hands had done, and on the labor that I had labored to do; and, behold, all is vanity and vexation of spirit; and there is no profit under the sun."

- Ecclesiastes 2:11

Now why would someone who obviously "made it" in this world come to the conclusion that everything he had done materially throughout his lifetime was in his opinion, nothing more than a waste of time?!

Friend, Solomon came to that conclusion because he realized most of his life was spent seeking personal gratification rather than in seeking to please God. The same could be said of all of us — unless we begin to view our time on earth as an opportunity to adore and give honor to our Creator...to our Savior...to our Master — the Lord Jesus Christ, then our lives will end up being nothing more than vanity!

But some will say, "It's MY life, not God's, therefore I will do what ever I want with it!"

Yes, it is your life; but hear what Solomon also said regarding your life — Ecclesiastes 12:13, 14

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter. Fear God, and keep His commandments. For this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it is good, or whether evil."

Let's make the most of the time God has given us on this earth. After all, pleasing God is never a waste of time.