

Ecclesiastes 11
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Ecclesiastes 11:1-4 (p559)

¹ Ship your grain across the sea; after many days you may receive a return.

² Invest in seven ventures, yes, in eight; you do not know what disaster may come upon the land.

³ If clouds are full of water, they pour rain on the earth. Whether a tree falls to the south or to the north, in the place where it falls, there it will lie.

⁴ Whoever watches the wind will not plant; whoever looks at the clouds will not reap.

Ecclesiastes 11:5-6

⁵ As you do not know the path of the wind, or how the body is formed in a mother's womb, so you cannot understand the work of God, the Maker of all things.

⁶ Sow your seed in the morning, and at evening let your hands not be idle, for you do not know which will succeed, whether this or that, or whether both will do equally well.

Ecclesiastes 11:5

ESV As you do not know **the way the spirit** comes to the bones in the womb of a woman with child, so you do not know the work of God who makes everything.

NASB Just as you do not know **the path of the wind**, and how bones are formed in the womb of the pregnant woman, so you do not know the activity of God who makes everything.

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Ecclesiastes 11:7-10

⁷ Light is sweet, and it is pleasant for the eyes to see the sun.

⁸ So if a person lives many years, let him rejoice in them all; but let him remember that the days of darkness will be many. All that comes is vanity.

⁹ Rejoice, O young man, in your youth, and let your heart cheer you in the days of your youth. Walk in the ways of your heart and the sight of your eyes. But know that for all these things God will bring you into judgment.

¹⁰ Remove vexation from your heart, and put away pain from your body, for youth and the dawn of life are vanity.

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Isaiah 26:3

You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you.

1Pe5:7

casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.

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