

INTRO: Seasons are the nature of a human life. We live in a state of constant flux. Sometimes you are busy at work; sometimes you have young kids; sometimes you need to move; sometimes you need to dig in; sometimes you need to have a confrontation; sometimes you can rest. Life is lived in seasons because God made it that way. You don't have to be in control of everything because you can't. Our lot is to live out our seasons, knowing they are built on the bedrock of an unchanging God.

1. What season of life are you in right now?

READ Ecclesiastes 3:1-14

- 1. Which of the seasons jumps out at you? Why?
- 2. Is there a time to love and a time to hate? Explain.
- 3. Why do you think God desires that people fear him?

SERMON QUESTIONS:

- 1. Do you think life comes in seasons? Why/why not?
- 2. What do you like or dislike about the idea of seasons?
- 3. How do different seasons allow you to see God and His actions differently?
- 4. Where has God been in your current season?
- 5. In your current season, what do you need or what can you give?

OUTRO: Often we say it is just season, and I will get through it. We talk about being overworked or underappreciated and call it a season to remind ourselves it will end. What if we turned that on its head. Instead of saying "It's just a season; get through it", we said, "It's just a season; savor it." The teacher says it is a gift from God to eat, drink, and find pleasure in our toil. Don't let your life be made of times you are looking to get through. Know that in the midst of any season, the power and presence of God is with you. Savor life, each and every season, as a sweet time to walk with God.