



## SO LITTLE TIME | ECCLESIASTES 3:1 — 4:6

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God calls us to number our days wisely, and to rest in His sovereign rule over time.

1. God rules over time (3:1-8). This poem is a description of human activity under the governance of God's rule over time.

2. God's rule over time means that He is Lord over our time.

3. We are called to rest in God's rule over time (3:12-14, 17, 4:4-6).

### **Helpful Resources**

*The Message of Ecclesiastes* (The Bible Speaks Today series) by Derek Kidner  
*Why Everything Matters: The Gospel in Ecclesiastes* by Philip G. Ryken

### **Questions to Consider**

1. God is sovereign over time, having appointed our time of birth and death. What response does that truth provoke for you?
2. In what ways have you sensed that God has designed you to live for eternity?
3. How can injustice and oppression cause us to be impatient?
4. As Christians, how should we face the inevitability of death?
5. Based on Ecclesiastes 4:4-6, what are the wrong responses and a correct response to God's rule over time?
6. What does Hebrews 4 say about the rest God has made for His people to enjoy?
7. What wisdom does Psalm 90 offer about how to live in light of the brevity of life?