

THIS WEEK THINK ABOUT...

Do your day to day choices reflect the conclusions you have made about life?

Am I willing to follow Jesus, as the way to discover God?

PRAYER

Father, help me see the conclusions of my views and get on the right path. Help me not just to know about you but to know you, and give myself to you.

SPIRITUAL CONVERSATION STARTERS

What is the greatest lesson you feel you have learned in your life?

What conclusions have you come to concerning life and death?

THERE IS A WAY FORWARD. AND IT IS BIGGER AND BETTER THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE. JESUS IS THE DISCOVERY OF A LIFETIME

Answer Key for Blanks

Humanism
Hedonism
Existentialism



WEEK 1

INTRODUCTION

VIDEO RECAP

Small Group starter videos can be found on the Christ Church website under small group resources.

SERMON RECAP

Solomon as a philosophy professor

Focus on life's biggest questions

Anticipates our answers and dismantles them

3 Common Answers to Life

1. _____ - the goal is to leave the world better than we found it.
2. _____ – Enjoy life. Don't look at the big picture because we can't find answers and you'll get depressed.
3. _____ - yes, life is meaningless, but we can choose to defy the cruelty and live with courage. That is the noble and right thing to do.

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BIBLE EXPLORATION

**SOLOMON
BRUTALLY
FORCES US TO
FOLLOW OUR
THINKING TO
ITS LOGICAL
CONCLUSION
WHICH WE
SELDOM DO.**

Read out loud - Ecclesiastes 1:1-18

Describe your first reaction to this reading.

In verse 17, Solomon says he has the wisdom and experience to provide the answers, explain why you accept or reject Solomon's conclusions?

What other takeaways do you get from these verses?

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

Did anything you hear in the sermon stick out to you? Anything you disagree with?

Of the three common answers to life (humanism, hedonism, existentialism), which do you most tend to drift toward?

Do you find it worth your time to discover life's "meaning"?

Share the biggest question about life or death that you wonder the most about.

**OUR PURPOSE, LIFE'S
MEANING, THE CONTEXT
FOR EVERYTHING, COMES
FROM GOD. THE WAY
FORWARD IS TO DISCOVER
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