

ECCLESIASTES 3:1-22

GOD HAS A PLAN IN HIS TIME

A CCS Resource
for Parents & Carers



FOR OLDER KIDS
& TEENS



KEY POINT:

God is in control of time and eternity, and is working out His plan in His time.



- What about your life are you and aren't you in control of?
- How do you try to have control of your life?
- How are you feeling about life during this time?
- How much does it help you during this time to know God is in control?



PRAY for God's help as you come to His Word
READ [ECCLESIASTES 3:1-17](#)



1. How does the poem in verses 1-8 help us know that life isn't random and chaotic but is important? *It shows us there is a right time for everything.*
2. Even though life is important, what about life in this world makes us feel like it isn't? (v9) *Death makes us feel that life isn't important.*
3. In verse 11, what does it mean that God has set eternity in the human heart? *It means that we know that we are meant to live forever.*
4. How does verse 11 help us see why life is important? *God is in control of what happens in life and He orders things according to His plans. Our lives are important because we know we are meant to live forever.*
5. In v10, even though God has enabled us to know we are meant to live forever, what makes life frustrating? *We don't see how our lives fit into God's bigger picture.*
6. How does verse 17 also help us see that our lives are important? *How we live matters because God will judge us for how we've lived.*
7. Christians are privileged because God has told us what His plans are for everything. Read Ephesians 1:10. What is God's plan for everything and when will He do this? *His plan is have everything under Jesus' rule. He will bring this about at the right time.*
8. Read Romans 6:5. What did God do at the right time so that we can be part of His big plan? *He sent Jesus to die on the cross for us.*
9. How should we live now according to verse 12-14? *We can live knowing God is in control of everything, thank Him for the good things He gives us and live to please Him.*



1. How do you feel about what God's plan is and what He did in order for you can be part of it?
2. How does this passage help you to think about your life now?
3. Even though life may feel confusing and frustrating now, what might it look like for you to live to please Him?



Thank God that He is in control of everything. **Thank** Him that He has a good plan and that He sent Jesus to die so you can be part of it. **Pray** and ask that He would help you know He is in control of life. **Pray** that He would help you to live life to please Him even when life feels frustrating and confusing.