



**Chasing Wisdom**  
**“Searching for Justice, Finding Hope”**  
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***Key Passage: Ecclesiastes 2:13-15, 4:1-3, & 12:13-14***

The shocking end of the story: The Teacher gets lost in the darkness. Solomon ends his life frustrated with wisdom and defeated by the brokenness he finds in the world.

*“The end of the matter. All has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or bad.”*

• The author’s good news is the promise of God’s judgment.

• God’s justice is not about the condemnation of people, but the condemnation of evil. His judgment is actually a rescue operation to restore life, beauty, and peace to the world.

**In the face of brokenness and injustice, we feel deeply. We mourn and lament. But in the midst of our grief...**

**1. Jesus invites us to KNOW HOPE.**

- To know hope, you have to know Jesus because he is the one who renews what is broken (Luke 4:18-19).
- It is God’s design for us to know hope through this community that is filled by Jesus, depends on Jesus, and acts like Jesus out in the world.

**2. Jesus invites us to HAVE HOPE.**

- To have hope means to see and engage with the world through faith.

**3. Jesus invites us to BE HOPE.**

