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BIBLE VERSES REFERENCED DURING SERMON:

- · James 4:13-15
- · Hebrews I3:8
- · Malachi 3:6

BIBLE STUDY:

- · Read Ecclesiastes I:I-2:II
- This was written by Solomon, son of David. What did Solomon say about life?
- What did Solomon mean when he said, "Then I considered all that my hands had done and the toil I had expended in doing it, and behold, all was vanity and a striving after wind, and there was nothing to be gained under the sun."?
- · Read Ecclesiastes 2:24-26
- · What did Solomon conclude was important in life?
- · Read Ecclesiastes 3:1-15
- · There is one constant in this life, God. What does Solomon say about God?
- Why do we fret and worry about all the chaos in this life? Why does this surprise us? It is a fallen and broken world. How does a focus on God change how we live our lives when "normal" has been turned upside down?

PERSONAL REFLECTION:

- · What was your "normal" like before March? What is "normal" like for you now? Name three things that you can rejoice in about your life.
- · Have you ever made major plans for your life and have them not work out? What happened? How did you handle it? Once you are through a life altering change, can you look back and see God's hands in it? Even when things end up bad, can you look back and see how God held you?
- · What is the difference between pruning and pausing?
- · Is there anything in your life that you are going to "prune?"
- · What happens to our walk in Christ when we begin to focus on the "building?"
- · How have you pursued your Christian walk these last few months?
- · What matters most in your life? Where are you pouring your energy? Do they match up?
- · Consider the lyrics to this hymn, "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"



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Oh soul are you weary and troubled? No light in the darkness to see There's a light for a look at the Savior And life more abundant and free

His words shall not fail you, He promised Believe Him and all will be well Then go to a world that is dying His perfect salvation to tell

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· How does this hymn speak to you, especially in light of all that is going on right now?