

# **THE BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM**

**WEEK 112 – Ecclesiastes 8 – Song of Solomon 1 & 1 Peter 1 – 2**

## **WEEK 112 – ANSWERS**

1. **Sunday** – Worship/Time With Family/Review Answers With Others

2. **Monday** –

1) Ecclesiastes 8 – Read & Answer Below

- a) According to the early part of this chapter, the penman declares, “I counsel thee to keep the king’s \_\_\_\_\_.” (commandment, vs. 2)
- b) The latter part of Ecclesiastes 8:5 reveals, “...a \_\_\_\_\_ man’s heart discerneth both \_\_\_\_\_ and judgment.” (wise; time)
- c) Does an ordinary person have power over his own death (i.e., is a person able to prevent his death)? (No, vs. 8)
- d) Ecclesiastes 8:11 is a great verse. It reads, “Because sentence against an \_\_\_\_\_ work is not executed \_\_\_\_\_, therefore the heart of the sons of men is \_\_\_\_\_ set in them to do \_\_\_\_\_.” (evil; speedily; fully; evil)
- e) In what verse does Solomon declare, “...I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before Him?” (Ecclesiastes 8:12)
- f) What verse begins, “But it shall not be well with the wicked...?” (Ecclesiastes 8:13)
- g) Attempting to understand the purpose of life/true happiness, without God, and showing the best that “human wisdom” is able to offer (i.e., Remember – Solomon is writing this book through the inspiration of God, but he is doing so from the VIEWPOINT of one searching for the purpose of life/true happiness without God), in what verse does Solomon begin, “Then I commended mirth...?” (Ecclesiastes 8:15)
- h) What is the first word of Ecclesiastes 8:17? (Then)

2) 1 Peter 1 – Read Only

3. **Tuesday** –

1) Ecclesiastes 9 – Read & Answer Below

- a) Demonstrating Solomon’s search for the purpose of life (and/or for true fulfilling/lasting happiness) based on “human wisdom,” Ecclesiastes 9:1 begins, “For all this I considered in my \_\_\_\_\_.” (heart)
- b) What is the “one event” that Solomon speaks of in Ecclesiastes 9:2? (Obviously, it is “death.” Remember, to Solomon, life seems hopeless/pointless, because from his worldly viewpoint, all—the good, the bad, the rich, the poor, the king and the beast—die and go to this “one place.” All he sees is this “one event” of death coming to everyone equally and it confuses him to no end!)
- c) In addition to Ecclesiastes 9:2, does Ecclesiastes 9:3 also specifically refer to this “one event?” (Yes!)
- d) In what verse does the inspired writer note, “For the living know that they shall die...?” (Ecclesiastes 9:5)

- e) What verse begins, “Live \_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_ whom thou lovest all the days of the life....” (joyfully; wife, vs. 9)
  - f) Ecclesiastes 9:10 reads, “Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy \_\_\_\_\_” (might)
  - g) What verse ends, “...but time and chance happeneth to them all?” (Ecclesiastes 9:11)
  - h) Ecclesiastes 9:12 begins, “For man also knoweth not his \_\_\_\_\_” (time)
  - i) Ecclesiastes 9:18 declares, “\_\_\_\_\_ is better than weapons of war: but one \_\_\_\_\_ destroyeth much good.” (Wisdom; sinner)
- 2) 1 Peter 1 – Read & Answer Below
- a) According to the first word of 1 Peter 1:2, the inspired apostle Peter refers to Christians as \_\_\_\_\_. (Elect)
  - b) The end of what early verse reads, “...according to His abundant mercy [He] hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead?” (1 Peter 1:3)
  - c) In what verse did Peter remind the early church “that the trial of [their] faith” was “much more precious than of gold that perisheth...?” (1 Peter 1:7)
  - d) 1 Peter 1:8 speaks of Jesus Christ. It begins, “Whom having \_\_\_\_\_ seen, ye \_\_\_\_\_; in Whom, though now ye see Him \_\_\_\_\_, yet \_\_\_\_\_, ye \_\_\_\_\_” (not; love; not; believing; rejoice)
  - e) 1 Peter 1:14 instructs, “As \_\_\_\_\_ children, not fashioning yourselves according to the \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ in your ignorance.” (obedient; former; lusts)
  - f) According to 1 Peter 1:15, does God expect/demand the Christian to be holy? That is, does God expect the Christian to live a holy (pure and set apart) life? (Yes!)
  - g) The beginning of what late verse tells us that we are redeemed “...with the precious blood of Christ...?” (1 Peter 1:19)
  - h) 1 Peter 1:22 begins, “Seeing ye have \_\_\_\_\_ your souls in \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_” (purified; obeying; truth)
  - i) How does God expect his children (i.e., Christians) to love each other? (He expects them to “love one another with a pure heart fervently,” vs. 22)

#### 4. Wednesday – .

- 1) Ecclesiastes 10 – Read & Answer Below
- a) According to Ecclesiastes 10:1 does “a little folly” (or foolish behavior) hurt anything? (Yes!!)
  - b) Would “The Wise and the Foolish” be a fitting title for Ecclesiastes 9:13 through 10:15? (Yes)
  - c) In what verse does Solomon pen, “I have seen servants upon horses, and princes walking as servants upon the earth?” (Ecclesiastes 10:7)
  - d) Ecclesiastes 10:12 reads, “The words of a \_\_\_\_\_ man’s mouth are gracious; but the lips of a \_\_\_\_\_ will swallow up himself.” (wise; fool)
  - e) What verse begins, “A fool also is full of words...?” (Ecclesiastes 10:14)
  - f) What verse begins, “By much slothfulness the building decayeth...?” (Ecclesiastes 10:18)
  - g) What verse begins, “Curse not the king...?” (Ecclesiastes 10:20)

- h) Ecclesiastes 10:20 declares, “Curse not the \_\_\_\_\_, no not in thy thoughts; and curse not the \_\_\_\_\_ in thy bedchamber: for a \_\_\_\_\_ of the air shall carry the voice, and that which hath wings shall tell the matter.” (king; rich; bird)

2) 1 Peter 1 – Read & Word Study/Research

- a) What verse speaks about “an inheritance” that is “incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away...?” (1 Peter 1:4)
- b) Does the first chapter of this book demonstrate one of the themes of this book as dealing with enduring persecution/suffering? (Certainly so, vs. 6-7)
- c) According to this inspired letter, what is “the end of [one’s] faith?” (The salvation of your souls, vs. 9)
- d) What verse makes it abundantly clear that some of the Old Testament prophecies included predictions about the “sufferings of Christ?” (1 Peter 1:11; Cf., Psalm 22, Isaiah 53, etc.)
- e) What verse begins, “Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind...?” (1 Peter 1:13)
- f) What Old Testament Scripture is being referenced in 1 Peter 1:16? (Leviticus 11:44-45, 19:2, 20:7, 26)
- g) What verse ends with the words, “...pass the time of your sojourning here in fear?” (1 Peter 1:17)
- h) According to 1 Peter 1:21, did Jesus Christ arise from the dead? (Yes!)
- i) What does “unfeigned love” mean (1 Peter 1:22)? (It refers to love that is NOT pretended. In other words, it is referencing genuine or sincere love. To “feign” is to pretend, thus “un—feigned” speaks of that which is not pretended, hence real or genuine.)
- j) Does 1 Peter 1:23 give good commentary on being “born of the Spirit” in John 3:3-5? (Yes!, Cf., also James 1:18, Ephesians 5:26. To be born of the Spirit/born again involves following the teachings from the Holy Spirit inspired Word of God. Such culminates in one being baptized in water for the remission of his/her sins—Acts 2:38, Acts 22:16, Galatians 3:27, Romans 6:3-4, etc.)
- k) What Old Testament Scripture does Peter reference in 1 Peter 1:24-25? (Isaiah 40:6-8)

5. Thursday –

1) Ecclesiastes 11 – Read & Answer Below

- a) Dealing with the law of sowing and reaping, Ecclesiastes 11:1 is a famous verse. It reads, “Cast thy \_\_\_\_\_ upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after \_\_\_\_\_ days.” (bread; many)
- b) Are the terms “sow” and “reap” found in Ecclesiastes 11:4? (Yes)
- c) Ecclesiastes 11:5 ends, “...even so thou knowest not the works of \_\_\_\_\_ who maketh \_\_\_\_\_.” (God; all)
- d) Ecclesiastes 11:6 declares, “In the morning \_\_\_\_\_ thy \_\_\_\_\_...” (sow; seed)
- e) Does Ecclesiastes 11:6 tell us that “the morning” is the only time one should sow his seed? (No, the same verse also says “and in the evening.”)
- f) Ecclesiastes 11:9 begins, “Rejoice, O \_\_\_\_\_ man...” (young)
- g) In what verse does the inspired writer of Ecclesiastes tell the young man that “God will bring [him] into judgment?” (Ecclesiastes 11:9)
- h) In what verse does the inspired writer of Ecclesiastes tell the young to “...put away evil from [his] flesh...?” (Ecclesiastes 11:9)

i) The last sentence of Ecclesiastes 11:10 says that "...childhood and youth are \_\_\_\_\_." (vanity)

2) 1 Peter 2 – Read Only

6. **Friday** –

1) Ecclesiastes 12 – Read & Answer Below

- a) Ecclesiastes 12:1 reads, "Remember now thy \_\_\_\_\_ in the days of thy \_\_\_\_\_." (Creator; youth)
- b) In a grand description of one getting older, Ecclesiastes 12:3 references the way the body (i.e., teeth, eyes, etc.) begin to wear out. He says, "In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall \_\_\_\_\_ themselves, and the \_\_\_\_\_ cease because they are few, and those that \_\_\_\_\_ out of the \_\_\_\_\_ be darkened." (bow; grinders; look; windows)
- c) The end of what verse contains the phrase, "...because man goeth to his long home...?" (Ecclesiastes 12:5)
- d) Speaking of death, Ecclesiastes 12:7 declares, "Then shall the \_\_\_\_\_ return to the earth as it was: and the \_\_\_\_\_ shall return unto \_\_\_\_\_ who gave it." (dust; spirit; God)
- e) Remember the viewpoint from which the penman of Ecclesiastes was writing from. Remember that this entire book (up to this point) is about a search for the purpose of life/true happiness—without God. Reflect back on the entire book up to this point. Now read Ecclesiastes 12:8 which says, "\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, saith the preacher; all is \_\_\_\_\_." (Vanity; vanities; vanity)
- f) What verse says, "...of making many books there is no end...?" (Ecclesiastes 12:12)
- g) After all of the searching and pursuing, the preacher finally solves the mystery. Ecclesiastes 12:13 finally gives the TRUE ANSWER concerning the purpose of life/true happiness. It reads, "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: \_\_\_\_\_ God, and \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_: for this is the whole duty of man." (Fear; keep; commandments)
- h) Ecclesiastes 12:14 continues, "For \_\_\_\_\_ shall bring \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_, with every secret thing, whether it be \_\_\_\_\_, or whether it be \_\_\_\_\_." (God; every; work; judgment; good; evil)

2) 1 Peter 2 – Read & Answer Below

- a) Realizing that the latter part of 1 Peter chapter 1 taught about one being "born again" by the Word of God, 1 Peter 2:2 adds, "As newborn \_\_\_\_\_, desire the sincere [i.e., unadulterated – JR] milk of the \_\_\_\_\_, that ye may \_\_\_\_\_ thereby." (babes; Word; grow)
- b) 1 Peter 2:5 says that Christians are to be "...a spiritual house, and holy \_\_\_\_\_, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by \_\_\_\_\_." (priesthood; Jesus; Christ)
- c) 1 Peter 2:7 begins, "Unto you therefore which \_\_\_\_\_ He is precious...." (believe)
- d) 1 Peter 2:9 reads, "But ye are a \_\_\_\_\_ generation, a royal \_\_\_\_\_, an holy \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_ people; that ye should shew forth the \_\_\_\_\_ of Him who hath called you out of \_\_\_\_\_ into His marvellous \_\_\_\_\_." (chosen; priesthood; nation; peculiar; praises; darkness; light)

- e) The end of what verse commands, "...abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul?" (1 Peter 2:11)
- f) According to 1 Peter 2:13-17, unless such goes against God's law, are Christians to obey and respect the laws of the land? (Yes!, Cf., also Romans 13)
- g) Did Christ ever commit sin? (No!, vs. 22)
- h) Speaking of Jesus, what verse begins, "Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered, He threatened not...?" (1 Peter 2:23)

## 7. **Saturday** –

### 1) Song of Solomon 1 – Read & Answer Below

- a) According to Song of Songs (or Song of Solomon) 1:1 the penman of this inspired book was \_\_\_\_\_. (Solomon)
- b) Whether speaking of God's love for Israel, or prophetically speaking of Christ's love for the church, or simply speaking of the beauty found within married love, it is clear this book is about "love." Song of Solomon 1:2 reads, "Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: for thy \_\_\_\_\_ is better than wine." (love; Note – "wine" is a generic word and may mean alcoholic, non-alcoholic or even may refer to the juice still in the grape. The context will determine such. One thing is for sure: God does NOT approve of those who drink alcohol for social and pleasurable purposes (Proverbs 20:1))
- c) How many times is the term "love" used in Song of Solomon 1:4? (Twice)
- d) Either referencing the color of her skin due to birth or due to the harshness of working outside, what are the first three words of Song of Solomon 1:5? (I am black)
- e) The phrase found in Song of Solomon 1:7 is found several times in this book. This verse begins, "Tell me, O thou whom my \_\_\_\_\_ ...." (soul; loveth)
- f) Song of Solomon 1:9 begins, "I have \_\_\_\_\_ thee, O my \_\_\_\_\_, to..." (compared; love)
- g) What verse declares, "Behold, thou art fair, my love; behold, thou art fair, thou hast doves' eyes?" (Song of Solomon 1:15)
- h) How many times is the term "love, loveth or beloved" used in this chapter? (Ten times, vs. 2, 3, 4, 7, 9, 13, 14, 15, 16. Note – Vs. 4 references it twice.)

### 2) 1 Peter 2 – Read & Word Study/Research

- a) What Old Testament Scripture is referenced by the inspired apostle Peter in 1 Peter 2:3? (Psalm 34:8)
- b) According to 1 Peter 2:5, 9 are all Christians "priests" and NOT just some specific group of clergymen? (Yes!)
- c) What Old Testament Scripture is referenced in 1 Peter 2:6? (Isaiah 28:16)
- d) Does the inspired writer use the term "believe" and "disobedient" to offset each other in 1 Peter 2:7, thus equating the terms—belief/obedience over and against disbelief/disobedient? In other words, does belief imply obedience and does unbelief imply disobedience? (Absolutely! True belief always involves obedience! Likewise, disobedience always involves unbelief.)
- e) What Old Testament Scripture is in mind in 1 Peter 2:8? (Isaiah 8:14)
- f) 1 Peter 2:11 should be read and re-read by every Christian. The verse says, "Dearly beloved, I beseech you as \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, abstain

from fleshly lusts, which \_\_\_\_ against the \_\_\_\_.” (strangers; pilgrims; war; soul)

- g) What verse contains the phrase, “...that with well-doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men?” (1 Peter 2:15)
- h) What verse says, “...Love the brotherhood...?” (1 Peter 2:17)
- i) What verse references Christ as the Christian’s example of suffering and adds, “...leaving us an example, that [we] should follow his steps?” (1 Peter 2:21)
- j) Does Peter reference Isaiah 53 at the end of this chapter? (Without question—Yes!, vs. 24-25)