



# GULF SHORES

CHURCH OF CHRIST

## LESSON #6: OUR POSSESSIONS

*Sunday Morning Sermon by Ray Reynolds (February 11, 2018)*

**TEXT:** *There is a time to look for something and a time to stop looking for it. There is a time to keep things and a time to throw things away. (Ecclesiastes 3:6).*

**INTRODUCTION:** You are probably familiar with the phrase “*Timing Is Everything*” and realize its significance. In **Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**, Solomon tells us that life is really a matter of timing. If timing is everything, how should we live? In these verses, he makes twenty-eight statements (14 pairs of contrasts). What do these words mean? The wisdom of Solomon can bless us. Let’s study together...

### DISCUSSION:

#### ***I. Look For Something vs. Stop Looking***

- A. Lost By Accident (**Luke 15:1-7**)
- B. Lost By Neglect (**Luke 15:8-10**)
- C. Lost By Rebellion (**Luke 15:11-32**)
- D. Lost & Found (**Luke 19:9-10**)

#### ***II. Keep Things vs. Throw Things Away***

- A. Throw Aside the Wrong Burdens (**Matthew 5:29-30, Hebrews 12:1**)
- B. Keep the Right Priorities (**Matthew 6:33, 7:7**)
- C. Throw Aside the Pain of the Past (**Ephesians 4:22, Colossians 3:8-9**)
- D. Keep the Vision of the Future (**Philippians 3:13, I Peter 1:2-4**)

**CONCLUSION:** When we purge our lives of excess baggage it helps us to relieve anxiety (**Matthew 6:25-34**). What do you need to drop at the foot of the cross? What is your heart telling you right now? Have you given God the time He deserves? Are you obeying Him? Will you surrender your life to Him? What are you willing to give up for Christ? Give Him your life while you still have the time.