



GULF SHORES

CHURCH OF CHRIST

LESSON #3: OUR ACTIVITIES

Sunday Morning Sermon by Ray Reynolds (January 21, 2018)

TEXT: *There is a time to kill and a time to heal. There is a time to destroy and a time to build. (Ecclesiastes 3:3).*

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. Kill vs. Heal

- A. The purpose of God (**Psalm 34:18**).
- B. The people of God (**Matthew 9:35-36**).
- C. The plan of God (**Acts 13:18-21**).
- D. The perfection of God (**II Timothy 4:8**).

II. Destroy vs. Build

- A. Consider your foundation (**Matthew 7:24-27**).
- B. Consider your feuds (**Matthew 10:34**).
- C. Consider your faith (**Hebrews 11:1, 6**).
- D. Consider your future (**Revelation 21:4**).

CONCLUSION: Passages like **Matthew 25:46**, **Romans 2:6-11**, **Hebrews 9:27**, etc. remind us that we will be judged by our actions. The words of Solomon remind us that even a child is known by his actions whether his conduct is good and right (**Proverbs 20:11**). Have you repented of your sins? Are you walking in Christ? 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?