



Mist Takes

A Study of Ecclesiastes 7

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Introduction: For the past several weeks we have been studying the book of Ecclesiastes. We have studied about how the Bible compares our life to dust, grass, shadow, vapor, breath, and a mist (a puff of air). James says, “*Your life is like a mist. You can see it for a short time, but then it goes away*” (James 4:14). Solomon is helping us to see we can’t grasp this little mist (puff of air). We can’t hold that mist in our hand. The mist is only there for a short time and then it fades away. What should we do with our mist? We need to let go of our mistakes and start having mist takes. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

Mist Take #1= Stop Viewing Life As An Entitlement (vs.1-14)

Luke 16:19-31, Luke 12:22-31, Psalm 90:12, James 4:13-15, Hebrews 9:27

Mist Take #2= Start Thinking Outside the Box (vs.15-26)

Genesis 24:45-49, Matthew 7:13-14, Numbers 20:17, Deuteronomy 5:32, Deuteronomy 17:11, Deuteronomy 17:20, Deuteronomy 28:14, Philippians 4:11, I Timothy 6:6-8

Mist Take #3= Never Drink the Kool-Aid (vs.27-29)

Genesis 1:26-28, Genesis 3:1-13, Matthew 18:3, Matthew 19:13-14, Mark 7:27-28, Mark 9:37, Mark 10:13-14, Luke 18:15-16, James 1:12-15, Ecclesiastes 2:16

Mist Take #4= Always Look to God!

Psalm 8:4, Psalm 144:3-4, Matthew 6:33, Matthew 7:7, Matthew 21:22, Mark 11:24, John 16:24

Conclusion: Try to gain a mist understanding. Don’t chase the mist. Don’t try to grasp the mist. Just remember who breathed life inside of your nostrils. Remember the Creator! What’s the whole of man? To fear God, keep His commandments, and prepare for Judgment Day (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14). Give God your heart, soul, mind and strength! Will you let God have your mistakes? Will you step back and do a mist take?