

## ***Does My Life Really Matter***

### **Getting Started**

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.

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**Series: Fulfilled!**

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*"Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity."  
Ecclesiastes 1:2 ESV*

*"I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."  
John 10:10 ESV*

*"Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable,  
always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the  
Lord your labor is not in vain." 1 Corinthians 15:58 ESV*

**My Life Matters When I Live Out the Will of God.**

## Who is the Author

*“The words of the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem.”  
Ecclesiastes 1:1 ESV*

*“Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of David his father, only he sacrificed and made offerings at the high places. And the king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the great high place. Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, “Ask what I shall give you.” And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant David my father, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you. And you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne this day. And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?””  
1 Kings 3:3–9 ESV*

## Solomon’s Sermon

*“What does man gain by all the toil at which he toils under the sun?”  
Ecclesiastes 1:3 ESV*

## Vanity of vanities

*“Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.”  
Ecclesiastes 1:2 ESV*

*“Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live,”  
John 11:25 ESV*

*“steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.”  
1 Corinthians 15:58 ESV*

## What will life be for you: vanity or victory?

*“For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?” Mark 8:36 ESV*