

## ***Am I Going Anywhere in My Life?***

### **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!**

*Sunday February 25, 2018*

#### **February MMV**

*"Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."*

*Matthew 6:34 ESV*

#### **March MMV**

*"Better is a handful of quietness than two hands full of toil and a striving after wind."*

*Ecclesiastes 4:6 ESV*

#### **Sit Back, Hold On and Enjoy the Ride**

*"For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart."*

*Ecclesiastes 5:20 ESV*

### **My God Is in Control and I Am Not!**

#### **I Need to Overcome Cultural Barriers**

*"Guard your steps when you go to the house of God."*

*Ecclesiastes 5:1a ESV*

*"If you see in a province the oppression of the poor and the violation of justice and righteousness, do not be amazed at the matter, for the high official is watched by a higher, and there are yet higher ones over them."*

*Ecclesiastes 5:8 ESV*

*"But this is gain for a land in every way: a king committed to cultivated fields."*

*Ecclesiastes 5:9 ESV*

### **When you remove God from life - Life falls apart!**

## **I Need to Overcome Economic Barriers**

*“He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity.”*  
*Ecclesiastes 5:10 ESV*

*“For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.”*  
*1 Timothy 6:10 ESV*

**Everything you own will eventually own you!**

### **Which Person Would You Desire to Be?**

*“One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want.”*  
*Proverbs 11:24 ESV*

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### **Six Insights on Becoming Generous**

#### **1. Pursue Greater Blessings than Wealth**

*“Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.”*  
*Ecclesiastes 5:12 ESV*

#### **2. Pursue Better Security Than Wealth**

*“There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, and those riches were lost in a bad venture.”*  
*Ecclesiastes 5:13-14a ESV*

#### **3. Pursue Better Legacy Than Wealth**

*“And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand.”*  
*Ecclesiastes 5:14b ESV*

#### **4. Pursue Better Investments Than Wealth**

*“As he came from his mother’s womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand.”*  
*Ecclesiastes 5:15 ESV*

#### **5. Pursue Better Life Goals Than Wealth**

*“This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind?”*  
*Ecclesiastes 5:16 ESV*

#### **6. Pursue Better Life Joys Than Wealth**

*“Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.”*  
*Ecclesiastes 5:17 ESV*

### **What About My Focus In Life?**

#### **Three Take-Aways**

##### **1. Find Contentment In Each Day**

*“Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot.”*  
*Ecclesiastes 5:18 ESV*

##### **2. Treat My Wealth as a Gift from God**

*“Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God.”*  
*Ecclesiastes 5:19 ESV*

##### **3. Sit Back, Hold On and Enjoy the Ride of Your Life**

*“For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.”*  
*Ecclesiastes 5:20 ESV*