

## Why Does Life Happen When It Happens?

Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

*In Ecclesiastes 3:1-15 Solomon explains that all life is a matter of timing. But all the times and timing of our lives are ordered by God.*

I. Expect \_\_\_\_\_ in life (2-8)

II. Accept \_\_\_\_\_ in life (9-11)

III. Enjoy \_\_\_\_\_ in life (12-13)

IV. Fear \_\_\_\_\_ in life (14-15)

Creatures are not born with desires unless satisfaction for those desires exists. A baby feels hunger; well there is such a thing as food. A duckling wants to swim; well there is such a thing as water . . . If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another world. If none of my earthly pleasures satisfy it, that does not prove that the universe is a fraud. Probably, earthly pleasures were never meant to satisfy it, but only to arouse it, to suggest the real thing.

- C. S. Lewis

“God himself manages the cosmos and looks after it . . . When you see a ship which is piloted and holds its course, you perceive the idea of a helmsman even if he is not visible . . . Likewise the Creator is known by his works and the order of his providence.”

- Didymus the Blind