



**I am in the Middle Between  
Time and Eternity**

**Ecclesiastes 3**

## Observations: *The Balance of Life* (vv. 1-8)

1. Altogether he lists 28 life activities, 14 positive, 14 negative, both juxtaposed to each other, seeming to cancel each other out altogether.

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2. He uses Hebrew parallelism or Hebrew poetry.

3. this is under heaven activity.

4. Psalm 139. He wrote and prayed, all the days ordained for me were written in your book.

## Questions: The Bewilderment of Life

1.(vs.9) What prophet, he asks, has the worker from that in which he labors?

2.(vs.21-22) Who knows, he asks, the spirit of the sons of men, which go upward of the spirits of the animal, which goes to the earth.

3.(vs.22) Who can bring him to see what will happen after him?

Conclusions: The Beauty of Life (Now he inserts God into his thinking)

1.(vs.10) He mentions God in his thinking four times

a. I have seen the God-given tasks

b. has made everything beautiful in its time

c. has put eternity in their hearts

d. does from beginning to end

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2. Without God, life doesn't make sense

3. Medical science can add years to your life. Only Jesus can add life to your years.

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4. Beauty can be summed up in two ways

A. Temporal Beauty: God Fits Everything Together in Time  
(v. 11a)

B. Eternal Beauty: God Fashions Everyone for Eternity  
(v. 11b)

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5. God fits everything that happens to the believer.  
God sees the whole picture

A. When putting a puzzle together you work  
from the picture, you just don't look at all  
pieces of the puzzle



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B. The story of Joseph illustrates this principle (Genesis 37-50)

C. Romans 8:28- We know that all things work together for good to those that love God and are called according to his purpose

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D. A good prayer to pray is,  
“Lord, stamp eternity on my eyeballs”