

God Gave Us Time

Ecclesiastes 3:9-22

Discern the Need

- **Relativity of Time**

- **The same time each day**

Embrace the Word—Ecclesiastes 3:9-22

- **Background**—Ecclesiastes 3:1-8
 - (v1) *There is an occasion for everything...*

 - All things that happen

- **Live with Eternity in Mind**—vv. 9-15
 - Working hard is a virtue

 - We gain things that sustain us on earth

 - We must remember that God has made everything *appropriate* in its time

 - (v11b) The longing we have for more is the *eternity* that God put in our hearts

 - (v12) *The Teacher* takes stock of life built on constant striving
 - *Nothing better than to rejoice and enjoy the good life*

 - (v13) We must not take for granted the blessings of God

- **Matthew 5:45**—*For he causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.*
 - (v14) God works with eternity in mind

 - (v15a,b) God is independent of time—He is the Great I AM—Everything you Need/Want

 - (v15c) Sets us for the next section

