

Discovered:

- Preacher = Solomon
  - There is no guarantee of benefit from your work.
  - The cycles of life & nature continue without ceasing.
  - I, Solomon, have sought out wisdom & everything is like chasing the wind - it can never be caught - futile.
  - I have pursued: indulgences, work/achievements, possessions, wealth but nothing was fulfilling.
  - I found that wisdom was much better than folly, but the wise die just as the foolish do.
  - Even my hardwork will eventually be left to another.
  - Enjoy your life to the fullest but apart from God there is no enjoyment in life.
  - Everything has a time & place determined by God.
  - We know of eternity, but do not know what God planned for eternity.
  - God's gift to man: to enjoy their lives: work, food & drink as long as they live.
  - Although both man & beast return to dust, man will be judged by God & he should rejoice in serving God.
  - It is better to strike a balance between work & no work.
  - It is better to have a partner/a friend than to be alone.
  - Do not become too prideful to listen to others advice, it may lead to downfall.
  - Be thoughtful in your worship of God.
  - Corruption is everywhere.
  - A King who develops his land benefits everyone.
  - Chasing wealth does not bring peace but anxiety.
  - Accepting the life you have been given, enjoying life to the full extent is a gift from the Lord.
  - Riches will never satisfy.
  - It is better to enjoy today than seek the future.
  - God gives us both days of prosperity & days of adversity.
  - The wise are a blessing to others.
  - Even the wicked may have delayed justice, the wise/those who fear the Lord will have it go well for them.
  - Man cannot know what God will do.
  - Everyone meets their death.
  - Enjoy life with your loved ones.
  - Wisdom whispered is better than foolishness shouted.
  - By taking care & thinking ahead the wise succeed.
  - Diversify your investments - you do not know the future.
- Help me to remember:      • Our duty: fear God & keep His commandments.

life is fleeting & God has given us the gift to enjoy what He has given us, but mostly we are to obey the Lord.

Lord, I ask that

by serving you my life is a blessing to others.

Heavenly Father, I am thankful for . . .  
everything you have given me.