

**“The Pursuit of Happiness”**  
**Ecclesiastes 12:13, Unlocking the Old Testament**  
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**Ecclesiastes 1:1-3**

<sup>1</sup> The words of the Teacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup> Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,  
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

<sup>3</sup> What do people gain from all the toil  
at which they toil under the sun?

**Ecclesiastes 12:13**

The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God, and keep his commandments; for that is the whole ~~duty~~ of everyone.

**1. We try to find happiness, meaning, fulfillment, and satisfaction in many things.**

**2. All things are proven to be empty**

**3. In the end the only meaningful thing is to fear God and keep His commandments.**