

# “The Silver Cord & The End of the Matter”

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The Words of the Qohelet, Conclusion



Ecccl. 12:1 ¶ Remember your creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come, and the years draw near when you will say, “I have no pleasure in them”;



Eccl. 12:2 before the sun and the light and the moon and  
the stars are darkened and the clouds return with the rain;  
Eccl. 12:3 in the day when the guards of the house tremble,  
and the strong men are bent, and the women who grind  
cease working because they are few, and those who look  
through the windows see dimly;



Eccl. 12:4 when the doors on the street are  
shut, and the sound of the grinding is low,  
and one rises up at the sound of a bird, and  
all the daughters of song are brought low;



Eccl. 12:5 when one is afraid of heights, and  
terrors are in the road; the almond tree blossoms,  
the grasshopper drags itself along and desire  
fails; because all must go to their eternal home,  
and the mourners will go about the streets;





Eccl. 12:6 before the silver cord is

snapped, and the golden bowl is broken,  
and the pitcher is broken at the fountain,  
and the wheel broken at the cistern,



Eccl. 12:7 and the dust returns to  
the earth as it was, and the breath  
returns to God who gave it.



Ecccl. 12:8 Vanity of vanities, says the  
Teacher; all is vanity.





Eccl. 12:10 The Teacher sought to find pleasing words, and he wrote words of truth plainly.

Eccl. 12:11 ¶ The sayings of the wise are like goads, and like nails firmly fixed are the collected sayings that are given by one shepherd.



Eccl. 12:12 Of anything beyond these,  
my child, beware. Of making many  
books there is no end, and much  
study is a weariness of the flesh.



Eccl. 12:12 ¶ But, my child, let me give you some further advice: Be careful, for writing books is endless, and much study wears you out.

Eccl. 12:12 A further word: Against them, my son, be warned! ¶ The making of many books is without limit And much study is a wearying of the flesh.



Eccl. 4:1 ¶ Again I saw all the oppressions that are practiced under the sun. Look, the tears of the oppressed—with no one to comfort them! On the side of their oppressors there was power—with no one to comfort them.



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Eccl. 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.

Eccl. 12:14 For God will bring every deed into judgment, including every secret thing, whether good or evil.





Ecccl. 7:20 ¶ Surely there is no one  
on earth so righteous as to do  
good without ever sinning.



1 John 1:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.



1 John 1:10 If we say that we have  
not sinned, we make him a liar, and  
his word is not in us.



2Cor. 5:21 For our sake he made  
him to be sin who knew no sin, so  
that in him we might become the  
righteousness of God.

