

A woman's profile is visible on the left side of the frame, looking upwards. The background is a dramatic sky at sunset or sunrise, with warm, golden light filtering through scattered, soft clouds. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

# ECCLESIASTES

*Making Sense Out of Life*

***The Conclusion of the  
Whole Matter***

**Ecclesiastes 12:9-14**

**1. Ecclesiastes is a book that instructs our minds, touches our hearts, and guides us in the wisdom of God.**

***inclusio***

*hebel*

*a mist, a vapor, a breath,  
a wisp of smoke*

*something that's there for a  
moment, and then gone ...*

- **Your work is vanity.**
- **Human wisdom is vanity.**
- **Pleasure is vanity.**
- **Power is vanity.**
- **Wealth is vanity.**

**Death is vanity, too.**

**God wants you to enjoy  
the life He has given you,  
with its many blessings!**



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**2. Solomon admonishes us with  
“goads” and encourages us  
with “nails.”**

**3. Life is all about trusting and obeying God.**

## **1 Corinthians 4:5**

**“Therefore judge nothing ... until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: ...”**

**3. Life is all about trusting and obeying God.**

