

**Eccl 12:1-8****Remember now your Creator****Review**

1. Appreciate how life can be temporal
2. The challenge to be accountable to God, who brings about His judgment to all
3. Remove sorrow from the heart...fill with joy
4. Put away evil

**Remember your Creator**

"Remember now your Creator in the days of your youth," Eccl 12:1

1. Remembering God as Creator
2. When one is still young and has energy

**The evening years of life****1. Difficult days**

"Before the difficult days come, and the years draw near when you say, "I have no pleasure in them" Eccl 12:1

**2. Sunny days to dark days**

"While the sun and the light, the moon and the stars, are not darkened, and the clouds do not return after the rain;" Eccl 12:2

**Description of old age**

1. "In the day when the keepers of the house tremble," Eccl 12:3
2. "And the strong men bow down;" Eccl 12:3
3. "When the grinders cease because they are few," Eccl 12:3
4. "And those that look through the windows grow dim;" Eccl 12:3
5. "When the doors are shut in the streets," Eccl 12:4
6. "And the sound of grinding is low;" Eccl 12:4
7. "When one rises up at the sound of a bird," Eccl 12:4
8. "And all the daughters of music are brought low." Eccl 12:4
9. "Also they are afraid of height, and of terrors in the way;" Eccl 12:5

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| 10. "When the almond tree blossoms,"         | Ecc1 12:5 |
| 11. "The grasshopper is a burden,"           | Ecc1 12:5 |
| 12. "And desire fails."                      | Ecc1 12:5 |
| 13. "For man goes to his eternal home,"      | Ecc1 12:5 |
| 14. "And the mourners go about the streets." | Ecc1 12:5 |

### **Another challenge to remember our Creator**

"Remember your Creator before the silver cord is loosed, or the golden bowl is broken, or the pitcher shattered at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the well." Ecc1 12:6

1. Good to remember our Creator
2. Before life comes to an end

- a) Silver cord and the golden bowl
- b) Wheel and pitcher

3. Death will come

"Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, and the spirit will return to God who gave it." Ecc1 12:7

4. Vanity of vanity

"Vanity of vanities," says the Preacher, "All is vanity." Ecc1 12:8

### **A good approach to ageing**

1. Psalm 92:12-15

2. Old age

- a) Fruitful
- b) Fresh
- c) Flourishing

### **Conclusion**

1. Remember our Creator ... no matter what age
2. Concerns about ageing
3. Faith makes a difference in ageing