

The Final Analysis

Script - Jer. 8:20

- A. Five different authors all give us counsel about the final analysis
1. Jeremiah (Jer. 8:20).
 - a. It is short and to the point.
 - b. It is a sad picture that Jeremiah paints in this verse.
 - c. Someone that has missed out and is left out and alone.
 2. Noah (2 Pet. 2:5).
 - a. He preached for 120 years, about a flood that was coming. The people must have thought he was crazy, and they did not believe him.
 - b. Those that got in the boat were saved. Those that did not, were lost.
 3. Jesus (Mt. 28:18-20).
 - a. It is called the great gospel commission.
 - b. He has been given all authority and power.
 - c. He sent His followers to tell the world about his great love and sacrifice and make disciples.
 - d. He promised to be with them to the end of time.
 4. Solomon (Eccl. 3). The wisest of all men, who had everything.
 - a. Solomon tells us that all that there is in life is just vanity and a chasing after the wind (Eccl. 2).
 - b. The one true happiness is finding contentment in the work that you are called to do. God has called each one of us to use our gifts and special talents for His glory and that will bring us contentment (Heb. 13:5; 1 Tim. 6:6; Lk. 3:14).
 - c. Solomon believed in a judgment to come (Eccl. 3:17) and this life is just a test for each of us (Eccl. 3:18).
 - d. We are called by God to use our talents for him (Eccl. 3:9-13; Rom. 8:28; 2 Tim. 1:8-9; 1 Pet. 2:9-10).
 5. Paul (2 Tim. 4:1-8).
 - a. Paul charges Timothy with God himself and Jesus as his witnesses that what he says is true.
 - b. There is a judgment day coming.
 - c. So do the following things that he lists (2 Tim. 4:2).
 - d. Times are going to get hard, and people will not believe (2 Tim. 4:3-5). But you be ready.
 - e. Paul tells Timothy that he doesn't have much longer to live.
 - f. But Paul says he did what he was called to do and he has the assurance of salvation (2 Tim. 4:7-8).
 - g. All who have believed can have this assurance too.
- B. What have we learned?
1. It is important to believe and act upon what God says.
 2. We all have a calling to be a witness for Him (Rom. 8:28; 2 Tim. 1:8-9; 1 Pet. 2:9-10).
 3. Jesus will provide the power and authority to accomplish the task that He has called us to do.
 4. There will be a day in which He will judge the world (Acts 17:31).
 5. If I am willing to following His calling for me I too can have the assurance of Salvation.