



“All things come alike to all: there is one event to the righteous, and to the wicked; to the good and to the clean, and to the unclean; to him that sacrifices, and to him that sacrifices not: as is the good, so is the sinner; and he that swears, as he that fears an oath.”

Ecclesiastes 9:2 NLT

What is the meaning of these days of our living upon the earth?

Life can produce cynicism in the most optimistic unless they hold a view of life that extends beyond themselves. When all you can see is the struggle and the conflict, the labour and the effort and then focus on the dismal thought – what then? Cynicism becomes no longer an un-trusted acquaintance but a close and personal companion. The new goal in life is not to leave a heritage for the next generation but to consume your energies on living life – or what remains of it – on selfish pursuits. Without an eternal perspective life becomes only a series of events that are seen as random, void of any serious reflection or purpose.

What is the remedy?

Spend more time in prayer. Read and practice the Bible. Learn to be a worshiper. Serve the less fortunate. Care for the sick. Visit the hopeless. Offer the sacrifices of thanksgiving.

Such disciplines will balance your perspective on life. These practices will expand your view and outlook on your current living situation. “Until I went into the sanctuary of God, then I understood *the end of the wicked...*” (Psalm 73:17). The vantage point from the presence of God will alter forever your outlook on life.

“In Jesus’ name I uproot every seed and plant of cynicism, unbelief and doubt in my life. Lord, I choose today to trust Your Word – to believe the best – to expect the miraculous!”

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