

Pleasure is Meaningless (Bilingual)

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But imagine you had unlimited money How would you enjoy that How would you live to be satisfied Solomon Solomon was a man who had unlimited treasure

So what kind of things did he indulge in

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Two and a Half Men, beer might bring you pleasure at first, but your disappointment will grow. Even someone as wise as Solomon could not find an answer to this problem on this earth.

[15 : 44] Therefore he exclaims pleasure is mainlyness, there is vanity chasing after the wind. So how should we, as Christians in the New Testament, living in New Testament times, how should we interpret pleasure? First we must understand that pleasure does not equal joy.

As we examined before, pleasure brings us a false sense of satisfaction. Many most of the people in this world has a goal set on enjoying life more.

Because they think this will bring joy to their lives. The Apostle Paul had this to say in his reflection on pleasure in life.

[17 : 34] Yet whatever gain I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

For his sake, I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ. Paul was someone who was very knowledgeable. And through his wisdom, he could have become someone very famous who could have seemingly enjoyed life a lot more.

And yet, in order that he may gain Christ, he threw away all these things. It's because he knew that Jesus was different, Different in the way that the joy in Jesus will not end after the third cup, just like Coca-Cola.

Jesus is the source of life. Jesus had this to say in John, Jesus said to her, Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, But those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty.

[18 : 56] The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life. The pursuit of pleasure in this world can only give us temporary satisfaction.

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