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Seasons

“A Season of Transitioning”

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 (NLT)

- For everything there is a season,
a time for every activity under heaven.
- ²A time to be born and a time to die.
A time to plant and a time to harvest.
- ³A time to kill and a time to heal.
A time to tear down and a time to build up.
- ⁴A time to cry and a time to laugh.
A time to grieve and a time to dance.
- ⁵A time to scatter stones and a time to gather stones.
A time to embrace and a time to turn away.
- ⁶A time to search and a time to quit searching.
A time to keep and a time to throw away.
- ⁷A time to tear and a time to mend.
A time to be quiet and a time to speak.
- ⁸A time to love and a time to hate.
A time for war and a time for peace.

Sermon Summary:

Life is full of seasons—each with its own unique joys and challenges. These seasons can feel like a paradox: anticipated yet dreaded, predictable yet full of surprises. We often long for them to arrive, only to wish they would end once we’re in them. Seasons bring both excitement and frustration, tears of joy and moments of heartache.

Whether foreseen or unexpected, the changing of seasons can lead to weariness. We feel like the days are growing longer, our prayers unanswered, and our relationships stretched. Yet, these seasons are not only inevitable—they are necessary for growth. They are the spaces where we learn, mature, and align more deeply with God’s purpose for our lives.

In this series, we will explore how the real-life stories of ordinary people intersect with the timeless truths of Scripture, helping us navigate life’s varied seasons with hope, faith, and purpose. Through these stories, we’ll see how the gospel speaks directly into every stage of life—transforming our weariness into resilience and our frustrations into faith.

Ice Breaker Questions:

1. Describe what you would have worn to school during your high school season of life?
2. What’s something silly you believed during your childhood season of life?
3. If your current season of life, what ice cream flavor would it be? Why?
4. Which season of the year do you think best matches your personality? Why?



Scripture Study Questions:

1. Who wrote the third chapter of Ecclesiastes? What do you know about the writer?
2. What pattern do you notice in these verses?
3. How many times is the word “times” stated?
4. How many of the “times” are positive? Negative? A mix of both?
5. What do you think Solomon is emphasizing by pairing opposites (example: “time to be born and a time to die”)?
6. What do these verses teach about God’s design for time and change?
7. What does this passage say about control – ours vs. God’s?

Application Questions:

1. Share about a season that you think back on with great joy.
2. Share about a season that was especially difficult for you.
3. Which “time” in these verses do you feel like you are living in right now?
4. How does knowing that seasons change give you hope in your faith?
5. How does changing seasons challenge your faith?
6. How can you live more faithfully in the season God has you in today?