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Eccl. 12:1-8

Remember Your Creator

1 Remember your Creator while you are young. Your old age is coming when you will have many troubles. When that time comes, you will think: "I don't enjoy it." 2 When you become old, the light from the sun, the moon, and the stars will seem dark to you. It will seem as if the rain clouds never go away. 3 At that time, your arms will lose their strength. Your strong legs will become weak and bent. Your teeth will fall out, so that you cannot chew. Your eyes will not see clearly. 4 Your ears will be deaf to the noise in the streets. Your voice will become very weak. The sound of the millstone grinding your grain will seem very quiet. But you will wake up when a bird first starts singing! 5 You will fear high places. And, you will be afraid to go for a walk because you might fall. Your hair will become white, like the flowers on an almond tree. When you walk, you will limp along like a grasshopper. Your desires will be gone. Then you will go to your everlasting home. And, people will go to your funeral. 6 Remember God before your life is snapped like a silver chain, before your life is broken like a golden bowl. It will be as useless as a shattered bucket at the well. It will be no good. like a broken wheel at the cistern.

- 7 And, your body will become part of the dust of the earth again.
- But your spirit will return to the one true God who gave it. 8 Everything is utterly without meaning!

The Professor says that everything is without meaning!