

① Proverbs



How to lead a good life
versus Covetousness
and Desire

② Ecclesiastes

How to lead a good life
versus toil and trouble



③ Song of Solomon

When things go well:
obedience inside
governing outside

Vanity - Meaningless

Ecclesiastes

13 What does man gain...?
labor... toil
under the Sun?

4 - Generations

5 - Sun

6 - wind

7 - streams

8 - all things (words weary)
eye, ear

9 Sameness with perpetual change

10 nothing new

11 no remembrance

12 to study... all that is done under the Sun.
wisdom (and knowledge)
madness and folly

A Peace and Contentment in Present

B Without care and anxiety for Future

A The toil of man apart from God
(or against God) are meaningless.

B "A man can do nothing better than to
eat and drink and find satisfaction in
his work." 2:24

"... for a man to enjoy his work" 3:22

A. Every thing God has made is good.

B. It is the misuse of these things
according to desire that is meaningless.

Law - confess sin

Gospel - believe in Christ

Baptized life of dying to sin
and rising to faith in Christ
and living a new life.

Life of thanksgiving

Mt 6:33-34

Phil 4:6-7

1 Tim 4:4-5

Rom 13:14

1 Tim 6:8-10