



"Cast your bread upon the waters, for you will find it after many days. Give a portion to seven, or even to eight, for you know not what disaster may happen on earth. If the clouds are full of rain, they empty themselves on the earth, and if a tree falls in the south or to the north, in the place where the tree falls, there it will lie.

Ecclesiastes 11:1-3

He who observes the wind will not sow, and he who regards the clouds will not reap. As you do not know the way the spirit comes to the bones in the womb of a woman with child, so you do not know the work of God who makes everything. In the morning sow your seed, and at the evening withhold not your hand for you do not know which will prosper, this or that, or whether both alike will be good."

Ecclesiastes 11:4-6

Things We Do Not Know...

We don't know how to predict the future.

"...for you do not know when disaster may happen on earth." 11:2

Things We Do Not Know...

We don't know how to do that which only God can do.

"...you don't know the work of God who makes everything." 11:5

Things We Do Not Know...

We don't know how to guarantee success and avoid failure.

"...you do not know which will prosper, this or that." 11:6

Things We Know...

Wise living means sitting loose to life and its possessions.

"Cast your bread upon the waters, for you will find it after many days. Give a portion to seven, or even eight, for you know not what disaster may happen on earth." 11:1-2

"The land of a rich man produced plentifully, and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

Luke 12:16-21

Things We Know...

Wise living means sitting loose to life and its possessions.

"Cast your bread upon the waters, for you will find it after many days. Give a portion to seven, or even eight, for you know not what disaster may happen on earth." 11:1-2

Things We Know...

Wise living means that neither success nor failure is ultimate.

"He who observes the wind will not sow, and he who regards the clouds will not reap." 11:4

