

RISK IN TIMES OF UNCERTAINTY Ecclesiastes 11:1-6

- I. **We should be about the risk of wise investments for the glory of God (1-2).**
Matthew 25:26-28: But his lord answered and said to him, **'You wicked and lazy servant,** you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed. So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, **and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest.** So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has ten talents.

Luke 12:15: And He said to them, "Take heed and beware of [a]covetousness, **for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."**

Proverbs 19:17: He who has pity on the poor lends to the Lord, **and He will pay back what he has given.**

Proverbs 22:9: **He who has a generous eye will be blessed,** for he gives of his bread to the poor.

- II. **We should be about the risk of vigorous labor for the glory of God (3-4).**
John 9:4: **I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day;** the night is coming when no one can work.

Romans 13:11: And do this, **knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep;** for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed.

Proverbs 22:13: **The lazy man says,** "There is a lion outside! I shall be slain in the streets!"

- III. **We should be about the risk of unwavering faith for the glory of God (5-6).**
Psalm 139:13-15: **For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb.** I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

Hebrews 11:13: These all died in faith, **not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced them and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.**