

ECCLESIASTES CHAPTER 11

¹ Send forth your bread upon the face of the water, for you shall find it after many days. ² Give a portion to seven, and also to eight; for you do not know what evil there shall be upon the earth. ³ If the clouds are filled with rain, they pour *it* out upon the earth; and if a tree fall southward, or if it fall northward, in the place where the tree shall fall, there it shall be. ⁴ He that observes the wind does not sow; and he that looks at the clouds will not reap.

⁵ Among whom none knows what is the way of the wind. As the bones *are hid* in the womb of a pregnant *woman*, so you shall not know the works of God, *even* all things whatsoever He shall do. ⁶ In the morning sow your seed, and in the evening let not your hand be slack; for you do not know what sort shall prosper whether this or that, or whether both shall be good alike.

⁷ Moreover the light is sweet, and it is good for the eyes to see the sun. ⁸ For even if a man should live many years, *and* rejoice in them all; yet let him remember the days of darkness; for they shall be many. All that comes is vanity.

⁹ Rejoice, O young man, in your youth; and let your heart cheer in the days of your youth, and walk in the ways of your heart blameless, but not in the sight of your eyes: yet know that for all these things God will bring you into judgment.

¹⁰ Therefore remove sorrow from your heart, and put away evil from your flesh; for youth and folly are vanity.