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## Breathing Room: Appointed Seasons and Times (Ecclesiastes 3:1-14)

*He makes everything beautiful in its time.*

*Warmup: What is the most important date you have forgotten?*

### READ Ecclesiastes 3:1-14

- What seasons stand out to you in verses 1-8? Are you surprised that some of these seasons are in this passage as “A time for everything”?
- What is the burden God has laid upon people? In Solomon’s quest to discover the meaning of life, what wisdom is discovered? (clue: He identifies this wisdom as a “gift” from God).
- What is God saying to you in these verses?

### REFLECT

- What emotions are stirred within you as you acknowledge that God appoints all the seasons and times? Explain.
- What current season are you in? Are you content in this season of life or longing for the next season?
- What will you “not forget” about this season? What have you learned about yourself in your current season? What have you learned about God in this season of life?

### RESPOND

- The author says, “God has planted eternity in the human heart.” Explain the meaning of this verse. What does this verse mean for you, in this time and season?
- “God makes everything beautiful in its time.” God does not ask you to do “everything,” but He does ask you to join Him where He is working. How is God prompting you to join Him where He is working? How will you walk out your response this summer?

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