Ecclesiastes 11:7-12:14

Coping with the chaos: the temptation to live defensively...

1. Live Joyfully: Life's fleeting (11:7-12:8)

The necessary sales-pitch! (12:9-12)

2. Live reverently: Life's significant (12:13-14)
What kinds of things in our lives prompt us to live defensively and cautiously? What would it look like for us to let the fleetingness of life prompt us into positive, joyful, living?
What do we make of this teaching that reverence for God and revelling in life are not opposites but should go together? How can we let the prospect of future judgement motivate us positively in the present?