# Why Everything Matters

## The Gospel in Ecclesiastes

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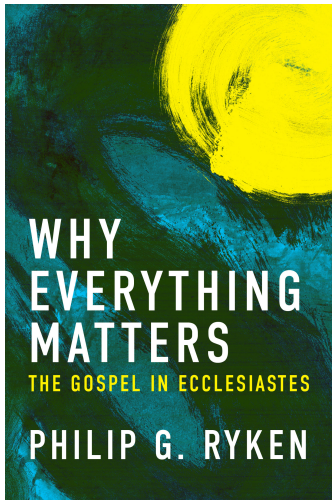


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**DESCRIPTION**

Ecclesiastes is for people who have their doubts about God, but can't stop thinking about him. The author of Ecclesiastes had his doubts, too, and these have enabled him to speak to skeptics as well as believers down through the centuries.Ecclesiastes is a book rich in literary artistry and multi–layered depths of spiritual meaning. Philip G. Ryken explores this wonderful Old Testament book, and reminds us again of the need to trust God with the questions, even when we do not have all the answers.

**MARKETING POINTS**

Explores the book of Ecclesiastes

A book packed full of rich spiritual meaning

Excellent resource on this unpreached text

**AUTHOR**

Philip G. Ryken became President of Wheaton College in July 2010. Prior to that he was Senior Minister of Tenth Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He is also a prolific author and a member of the council of The Gospel Coalition.

**ENDORSEMENTS**

Ryken has provided a study of Ecclesiastes for preachers and Sunday School teachers that is arranged in ten chapters of comparable length, packaging each chapter under a virtual hashtag that hints at the thrust of the chapter. Ryken's familiarity with contemporary language and cultural literature helps readers feel they are connected with Qoheleth in a way that makes his words relevant, if not contemporary. Why Everything Matters engages Ecclesiastes as a theological book with advice for living.

**C. Hassell Bullock Wheaton College Wheaton, Illinois, USA - Writing for The Gospel Coalition**

Phil Ryken has made the message of a forgotten book in the Bible clear and applicable to those of us in the 21st Century. Using his literary insights and many contemporary illustrations, he shows us that people in today's world are asking the same questions and that Ecclesiastes points them to the same God who can give us purpose and meaning.

**Steven Chin**
*Senior Pastor, Boston Chinese Evangelical Church, Boston, Massachusetts*

We are surrounded every day by people who seek to fill their emptiness with pleasures and achievements. No book in the Bible so clearly addresses this futile search as does Ecclesiastes. And no commentary I've ever read on Ecclesiastes so artfully answers every vain search with the good news of Christ as does Philip Ryken's *Why Everything Matters.*

**Andrew Davis**
*Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church, Durham, North Carolina*

... I've preached through Ecclesiastes once and am not so sure I got it right. That's why when I preach the book again I will have Philip Ryken's warm and insightful book at the top of my resource list.

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