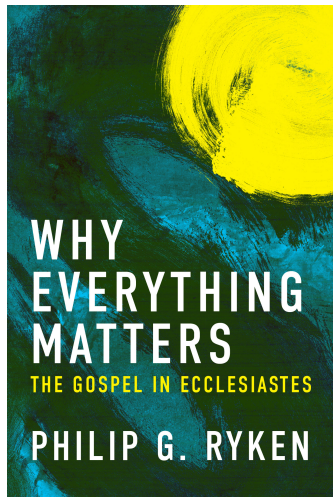


# Why Everything Matters

## The Gospel in Ecclesiastes

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Excellent resource on this unpreached text

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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.

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