

June 19 Questions

- 1) Solomon, the wisest man who ever lived, turned away from God in his old age. How could this happen? “For when Solomon was old his _____ turned away his heart after other _____” (1 Kgs 11:4; cf. Deut 17:17; Neh 13:23–27). This teaches us that the person we _____ will affect our eternal _____. Such a decision should be made with much _____ and the _____ of godly friends (2 Cor 6:14). Solomon filled his mind with wisdom, indulged in every kind of pleasure, built great buildings and gardens and parks, amassed fantastic wealth, and reveled in the finest music, art and literature of his day. He took for himself everything that his eyes desired, and when he reached the end of his life, he left us this conclusion: “_____ of _____! All is _____!” The word in Hebrew is _____, and its nuances are “futile,” “meaningless,” “empty,” “transient,” and “useless.” Solomon discovered that nothing apart from _____ can give lasting happiness and fulfillment. This teaches us that if we try to find meaning in our _____ rather than in God, we will never be _____. Everything we achieve or possess will only leave us _____ something more.