

## #10 The Face of Wisdom Ecclesiastes 8 (ESV)

**Ecclesiastes 8:1** *Who is like the wise? And who knows the interpretation of a thing? A man's wisdom makes his face shine, and the hardness of his face is changed.*

### WHICH FACE DO YOU WANT?

#### Remember Who You Are

1. Some have AUTHORITY over you  
*"Keep the king's command..." Ecclesiastes 8:2*
2. Do not quickly ABANDON  
*"Be not hasty to go from his presence..." Ecclesiastes 8:3*
3. Do not participate in EVIL alongside  
*"Do not take your stand in an evil cause..." Ecclesiastes 8:3*
4. WAIT patiently for the right time and way to help  
*"...the wise heart will know the proper time and the just way"  
Ecclesiastes 8:5*

#### Remember Who They Are

5. No power over THE SPIRIT  
*"No man has power to retain the spirit..." Ecclesiastes 8:8*
6. No power over DEATH  
*"...or power over the day of death..." Ecclesiastes 8:8*

#### Fear God

7. Wicked people don't always receive PUNISHMENT right away.  
*"...the sentence against an evil deed is not executed speedily..."  
Ecclesiastes 8:11*

8. Fear God and it will be WELL for you...someday  
*"... it will be well with those who fear God..." Ecclesiastes 8:12*

#### Life's Not Fair

9. Wicked people cause bad things to happen to GOOD PEOPLE  
*"...there are righteous people to whom it happens according to the deeds of the wicked..." Ecclesiastes 8:14*

10. Good people cause good things to happen to WICKED PEOPLE  
*"...there are wicked people to whom it happens according to the deeds of the righteous..." Ecclesiastes 8:14*

#### You Are Not God

11. You cannot FIGURE IT OUT  
*"...Even though a wise man claims to know, he cannot find it out."  
Ecclesiastes 8:17*

12. Eat, Drink, and BE JOYFUL  
*"... for man has nothing better under the sun but to eat and drink and be joyful..." Ecclesiastes 8:15*

**WISDOM I NEED:**