

What Matters?
Are we really satisfied with things?
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Eccl 1:1-9

- 1 The words of the Preacher, the son of David,
king in Jerusalem.**
- 2 "Vanity of vanities," says the Preacher, "Vanity
of vanities! All is vanity."**
- 3 What advantage does man have in all his work
Which he does under the sun?**
- 4 A generation goes and a generation comes, but
the earth remains forever.**
- 5 Also, the sun rises and the sun sets; and
hastening to its place it rises there {again.}**
- 6 Blowing toward the south, then turning toward
the north, the wind continues swirling along; and
on its circular courses the wind returns.**
- 7 All the rivers flow into the sea, yet the sea is
not full. To the place where the rivers flow, there
they flow again.**
- 8 All things are wearisome; Man is not able to
tell {it.} The eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor is
the ear filled with hearing.**
- 9 That which has been is that which will be, and
that which has been done is that which will be
done. So there is nothing new under the sun.
(NAU)**

When do we get our fill of experiences?

Eccl 1:8

**8 All things are wearisome; Man is not able to tell {it.} The eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor is the ear filled with hearing.
(NAU)**

No satisfaction in work

Eccl 4:8

**8 There was a certain man without a dependent, having neither a son nor a brother, yet there was no end to all his labor. Indeed, his eyes were not satisfied with riches {and he never asked} "And for whom am I laboring and depriving myself of pleasure?" This too is vanity and it is a grievous task.
(NAU)**

No satisfaction in accumulation of wealth

Eccl 5:10

**10 He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves abundance {with its} income. This too is vanity.
(NAU)**

No gratification in appetites

Eccl 6:7

**7 All a man's labor is for his mouth and yet the appetite is not satisfied.
(NAU)**

No satisfaction in the pursuit of worldly things

Isa 55:2

2 "Why do you spend money for what is not bread, and your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourself in abundance.

(NAU)

No pleasure in squandering

Luke 15:14

14 "Now when he had spent everything, a severe famine occurred in that country, and he began to be impoverished.

(NAU)

THE OVERFLOWING CUP

Ps 23:5

5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you have anointed my head with oil; My cup overflows.

(NAU)

The fullness of blessing

Mal 3:10

10 "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and test Me now in this," says the LORD of hosts, "if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows.

(NAU)

Matt 5:6

- 6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
(NAU)**

Fullness of joy

John 15:11

- 11 "These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and {that} your joy may be made full.
(NAU)**

Fullness of God

Eph 3:14-19

- 14 For this reason I bow my knees before the
Father,
15 from whom every family in heaven and on
earth derives its name,
16 that He would grant you, according to the
riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power
through His Spirit in the inner man,
17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through
faith; {and} that you, being rooted and grounded
in love,
18 may be able to comprehend with all the saints
what is the breadth and length and height and
depth,
19 and to know the love of Christ which surpasses
knowledge, that you may be filled up to all the
fullness of God.**

(NAU)

Fullness of the Spirit

Eph 5:18-21

- 18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is
dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit,
19 speaking to one another in psalms and hymns
and spiritual songs, singing and making melody
with your heart to the Lord;
20 always giving thanks for all things in the name
of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father;
21 and be subject to one another in the fear of
Christ.**

(NAU)

Fullness of Wisdom

Col 1:9-14

- 9 For this reason also, since the day we heard
{of it} we have not ceased to pray for you and to
ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of
His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,
10 so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the
Lord, to please {Him} in all respects, bearing fruit
in every good work and increasing in the
knowledge of God;
11 strengthened with all power, according to His
glorious might, for the attaining of all
steadfastness and patience; joyously
12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified
us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light.**

**13 For He rescued us from the domain of
darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His
beloved Son,
14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness
of sins.
(NAU)**