

I'm thinking off packing the whole lot in

I'm tired off... living

I'd be... better off dead

I wish... I had never been born



You need to go and get help... before it's too late



**BUT WHAT HAPPENS
IF THERE'S NO HELP AVAILABLE ?**



OPPRESSION



Ecclesiastes 4: 1-3



Again I looked and saw all the oppression
that was taking place under the sun:

I saw the tears of the oppressed-
and they have no comforter;
power was on the side of their oppressors-
and they have no comforter.

And I declared that the dead,
who had already died,
are happier than the living,
who are still alive.

But better than both
is he who has not yet been,
who has not seen the evil
that is done under the sun.

What Do You **See** Solomon?

- Again I saw that many people are treated badly
- I saw their tears, and I saw that there was no one to comfort them.
- I saw that cruel people had all the power, and I saw that there was no one to comfort the people they hurt

What Conclusions Did You Come To Solomon

- I decided that it is better for those who have died than for those who are still alive.
- So I concluded that the dead are better off than the living.
- And it is even better for those who die at birth, because they never saw the evil that is done in this world.^[a]

What hope does Solomon offer in *Ecclesiastes 4:1-3*

NONE

Ecclesiastes 3:17

- There's something else I saw on earth.
Where people should be treated right, they are treated wrong.
Where people should be treated fairly, they are treated unfairly. NIRV
- **Teacher:**
Again, I looked *at everything that goes on* under the sun and realized that in place of justice, wickedness prevails. In place of righteousness, wrongdoing succeeds. Ecc 3: 17 the voice

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Can your Jesus “**help me**” with that?

