Ecclesiastes 4

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1 So I returned^{H7725}, and considered^{H7200} all the oppressions^{H6217} that are done^{H6213} under the sun^{H8121}: and behold the tears^{H1832} of such as were oppressed^{H6231}, and they had no comforter^{H5162}; and on the side^{H3027} of their oppressors^{H6231} there was power^{H3581}; but they had no comforter^{H5162}. **2** Wherefore I praised^{H7623} the dead^{H4191} which are already^{H3528} dead^{H4191} more than the living^{H2416} which are yet^{H5728} alive^{H2416}. **3** Yea, better^{H2896} is he than both^{H8147} they, which hath not yet^{H5728} been, who hath not seen^{H7200} the evil^{H7451} work^{H4639} that is done^{H6213} under the sun^{H8121}.

4 Again, I considered^{H7200} all travail^{H5999}, and every right^{H3788} work^{H4639}, that for this a man^{H376} is envied^{H7068} of his neighbour^{H7453}. This is also vanity^{H1892} and vexation^{H7469} of spirit^{H7307}.²³ **5** The fool^{H3684} foldeth^{H2263} his hands^{H3027} together^{H2263}, and eateth^{H398} his own flesh^{H1320}. **6** Better^{H2896} is an handful^{H3709} with quietness^{H5183}, than both the hands^{H2651} full^{H4393} with travail^{H5999} and vexation^{H7469} of spirit^{H7307}.

7 Then I returned H7725, and I saw H7200 vanity H1892 under the sun H8121. 8 There is H3426 one H259 alone, and there is not a second H8145; yea, he hath neither child H1121 nor brother H251: yet is there no end H7093 of all his labour H5999; neither is his eye H5869 satisfied with riches H6239; neither saith he, For whom do I labour H6001, and bereave H2637 my soul H5315 of good H2896? This is also vanity H1892, yea, it is a sore H7451 travail H6045. 9 Two H8147 are better H2896 than one H259; because they have H3426 a good H2896 reward H7939 for their labour H5999. 10 For if they fall H5307, the one H259 will lift up H6965 his fellow H2270: but woe H337 to him that is alone H259 when he falleth H5307; for he hath not another H8145 to help him up H6965. 11 Again H1571, if two H8147 lie together H7901, then they have heat H2552: but how can one H259 be warm H3179 alone? 12 And if one H259 prevail against him, two H8147 shall withstand H5975 him; and a threefold H8027 cord H2339 is not quickly H4120 broken H5423.

13 Better^{H2896} is a poor^{H4542} and a wise^{H2450} child^{H3206} than an old^{H2205} and foolish^{H3684} king^{H4428}, who will^{H3045} no more be admonished^{H2094}. ⁴ 14 For out of prison^{H631} H¹⁰⁰⁴ he cometh^{H3318} to reign^{H4427}; whereas also he that is born^{H3205} in his kingdom^{H4438} becometh poor^{H7326}. 15 I considered^{H7200} all the living^{H2416} which walk^{H1980} under the sun^{H8121}, with the second^{H8145} child^{H3206} that shall stand up^{H5975} in his stead. 16 There is no end^{H7093} of all the people^{H5971}, even of all that have been before^{H6440} them: they also that come after^{H314} shall not rejoice^{H8055} in him. Surely this also is vanity^{H1892} and vexation^{H7475} of spirit^{H7307}.

Fußnoten

- 1. side: Heb. hand
- 2. every...: Heb. all the rightness of work
- 3. for this...: Heb. this is the envy of a man from his neighbour
- 4. who ...: Heb. who knoweth not to be admonished