## Lesson # 8: Ecclesiastes 8:1-17 Harlan D. Betz

# *“How to Live in an Unjust World”*

**1A. INTRODUCTION:**

Drowning in a sea of perplexity!

**2A. EXPOSITION:**

**1B. Wise people will be submissive (8:1-5).**

1C. What?

2C. Why?

**2B. Wicked leaders will be judged (8:6-9)**

1C. People may suffer, but the tyrant will be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (6)

2C. Judgment may delay, but the tyrant will be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (7-9)

**3B. Mysteries can be expected (8:10-14)**

1C. The mystery of unjust \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (8:10-12)

2C. The mystery of unseen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (8:12-13)

3C. The mystery of unfair \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (8:14)

**4B. Life can be enjoyed (8:15-17)**

Enjoy God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Trust God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**3A. CONCLUSION:**

1. **I may have doubts and fears and frustrations and failures.**

Therefore I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in God.

1. **I don't understand why things happen as they do.**

Therefore I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in God.

1. **I cannot control life, but I can control my focus**.

Therefore, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to God.