

THIRD READING

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A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES

FOR EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON AND A TIME FOR EVERY MATTER UNDER HEAVEN:

A TIME TO BE BORN AND A TIME TO DIE;

A TIME TO PLANT AND A TIME TO PLUCK UP WHAT IS PLANTED;

A TIME TO KILL AND A TIME TO HEAL;

A TIME TO BREAK DOWN, AND A TIME TO BUILD UP;

A TIME TO WEEP, AND A TIME TO LAUGH;

A TIME TO MOURN, AND A TIME TO DANCE;

A TIME TO CAST AWAY STONES, AND A TIME TO GATHER STONES TOGETHER;

A TIME TO EMBRACE, AND A TIME TO REFRAIN FROM EMBRACING;

A TIME TO SEEK, AND A TIME TO LOSE;

A TIME TO KEEP, AND A TIME TO CAST AWAY;

A TIME TO TEAR AND A TIME TO SEW;

A TIME TO KEEP SILENCE, AND A TIME TO SPEAK;

A TIME TO LOVE, AND A TIME TO HATE;

A TIME FOR WAR, AND A TIME FOR PEACE.

GOD HAS MADE EVERYTHING BEAUTIFUL IN ITS TIME.

THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD / THANKS BE TO GOD.