

## Figures of Ecclesiastes 12:3-7

### 1. The day is coming in which:

- The keepers of the house tremble (arms become weaken and have tremors)
- The strong men bow down (legs become weak and posture bows down)
- The grinders cease because they are few (teeth fall out)
- Those that look through the windows grow dim (eyesight no longer sharp)
- The doors are shut in the streets (fear of going out beyond home – hearing fades)
- The sound of the grinding is low (hard of hearing - speech become weak)
- When one rises up at the sound of a bird (elderly are easily awakened)
- And all the daughters of music are brought low (voice no longer able to sing)
- They are afraid of height (ear of falling)
- And of terrors in the way (no longer feeling invincible)
- When the almond tree blossoms (hair turns white)
- The grasshopper is a burden (unable to lift or carry anything heavy)
- And desire fails (fleshly desires wane)
- Man goes to his eternal home, and the mourners go about the streets (death)

### 2. Remember your Creator before:

- Before the silver cord is loosed
- The golden bowl is broken
- The pitcher shattered at the fountain
- The wheel broken at the well
  - Figures alluding to death