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Pastor and Sis. McKinney, along with the CAC Church Family, would like to thank you for choosing to worship the Lord with us today.

We hope you find your visit informative and inspirational and one that will keep you coming back. If you have any questions feel free to contact our ushers and staff. Connect with CAC today and let CAC be your home church.

We hope to see you in future services!

So I Was Great

Ecclesiastes 2:9 So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in Jerusalem: also my wisdom remained with me.

What makes one great? Is it the place where they live, the job that they have, or the things they possess? Is it their accomplishments in life? Is it their achievements in medicine? Is it their political savvy? What makes

one great?

Solomon thought that having whatever his heart desired would bring him happiness. He chased after whatever his eyes desired thinking it would be what would set him in a place of contentment and a place of recognition. But as we read on in Ecclesiastes 2:10-11 that those things didn't bring any profit for he came to the conclusion in **verse 11** ***Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had laboured to do: and, behold, all was vanity and vexation of spirit, and there was no profit under the sun.***

What then could make one great? If all of our labor and all that we work for is nothing more than *vanity (emptiness, something transitory and unsatisfactory; altogether vain) and vexation (a feeding upon, grasping after: longing, striving of the spirit)* of spirit and of *no profit*, then what makes one great?

William Shakespeare once said, "Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them. But still the question

remains, What makes one great?

Only a few find the answer to the question of, "What makes one great?". It is not found in a *what*, a *when*, or a *where*, but actually it is found in a *who*! Moses found greatness in the reproach of Christ rather than the treasures in Egypt. (Hebrews 11:26) Jesus gave us the parable of *The Ground Of a Certain Rich Man* in Luke 12:16-21 to show what doesn't make us rich if we are not rich toward God.

So we see that what makes one great is not what they own, how much they own, or the favor of those in authority or influence, but what makes one great is being associated with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Greatness is not found in horizontal interaction (Earthly), but in vertical interaction (Heavenly).

Don't chase the vanity of this world that will leave you empty, but seek to follow the Great I Am—for without Him we will always be the great I ain'ts—even if we have an abundance.