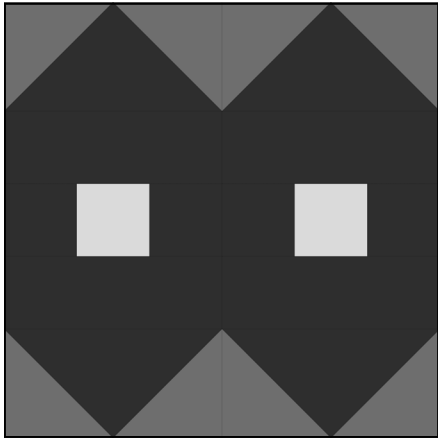




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21 Ecclesiastes (Wise Eyes)

Pattern for 6" finished block — All seams are 1/4".
 Pressing directions are indicated.

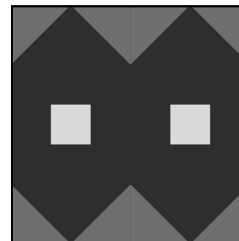
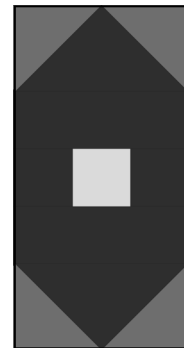


Fabric needed for one block & Cutting instructions	
Dark	1/8 yard or scrap (4) 1-1/2" squares (4) 1-1/2"x3-1/2" rectangles (1) 4-1/4" square, cut twice diagonally
Medium	1/8 yard or scrap (4) 2-3/8" squares, cut once diagonally
Light	1/8 yard or scrap (2) 1-1/2" squares

Instructions:



1. Stitch a Medium triangle to each side of a Dark triangle to form the flying geese unit, as shown. One point of the Medium triangle will slightly overlap the Dark triangle (approx. 3/8"). Press toward the Medium triangles. Trim dog ears. Make (4) units.
2. Create the center units by stitching a small Dark square to each side of the small Light squares, as shown. Press seams toward the Dark squares. Make (2) units.
3. Create each half of the block separately. From top to bottom, stitch a flying geese unit from Step 1, Dark rectangle, center unit, Dark rectangle, and flying geese unit, as shown. Press one to the inside and one to the outside. Make (2) units.
4. Stitch the two halves together to complete the block. Press seams open.



Ecclesiastes is the reflections of a philosopher rather than a teaching of religious belief. Ecclesiastes (or Preacher) attempts to understand the meaning of life and questions many accepted Hebrew beliefs. The Preacher believes that God controls the world and man's fate.

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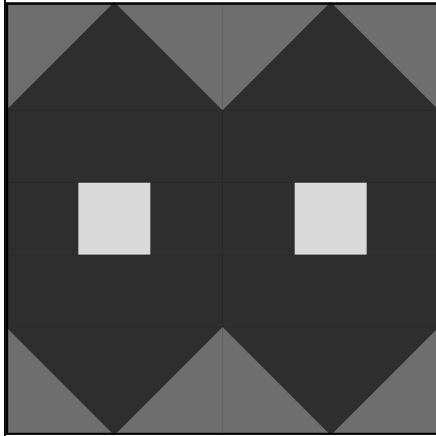
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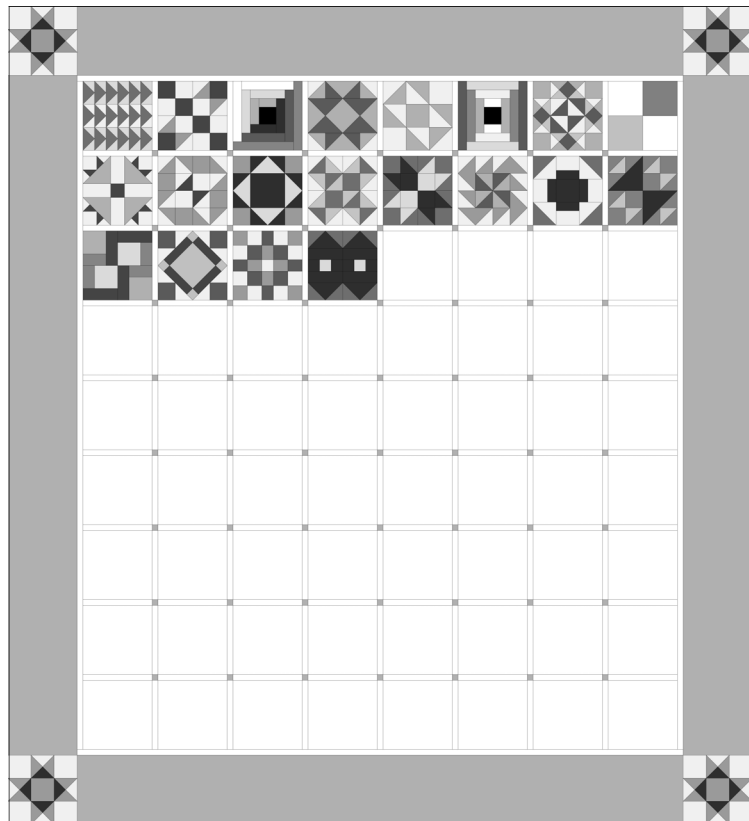
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This is Block 21 of a 73 block series representing the 39 books of the Old Testament, 7 books of the Apocrypha, and 27 books of the New Testament. I chose to name the blocks after books of the Bible as a testament to my faith. I call the finished quilt "Bible Studies." Whether Catholic or Protestant, I hope each block will have a special meaning to the quilt maker. For me, reviewing the books of the Bible recalled many of my favorite bible stories and passages. I include a bit of Bible history for each block. I have used, as a reference, the New Oxford Annotated Bible with the Apocrypha,

Revised Standard Version, 1977, an Ecumenical Study Bible.

The lap quilt shown at right is one of three possible settings for the Bible Studies blocks. In this setting, Genesis is constructed (4) times for the outer border cornerstones.



I chose Wise Eyes to represent Ecclesiastes because the author is described as a sage or teacher. "Ecclesiastes" is a loose Greek translation of the author's pen-name Qoheleth, which means one who conducts and assembly or school. The writing in Ecclesiastes, however, lacks formal structure, and is unlikely to have been used in instruction.

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