

Message Notes

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Awakening (Psalms of the Soul)

Psalm 73

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- ◆ At the _____ of every human is a desire for _____. (Ps 82)
- ◆ Asaph asks: is _____ the _____ *really* worth it? (Ps 73:12)
- ◆ Oftentimes _____ can lead to a _____ faith. (Job 42:1-6)

The Problem

- ◆ This “_____” states that God _____ those who _____ Him.

Surely God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart. **Psalm 73:1**

- ◆ Asaph’s problem is: he became _____ of the _____. (Ps 73:3)
- ◆ *Envy* is _____ God for what _____ been given. (Gen 4:3-5)

Surely in vain have I kept my heart pure; in vain have I washed my hands in innocence. **Psalm 73:13**

- ◆ Asaph _____: it really is _____ worth _____ the Lord.

A New Perspective

- ◆ In God’s _____ he is given a new _____. (Ps 73:16-17)
- ◆ Asaph’s perspective is _____ in _____ ways:
 - ① He now realizes the _____ destiny of the _____. (Ps 73:17-20)
 - ◆ One day _____ will be brought to _____. (Ac 17:31; Gal 6:8; 1 Co 4:5)
 - ② He is given a _____ understanding of _____. (Ps 73:21-22; Is 45:9)
 - ◆ Asaph sees how _____ God really is to _____! (Ps 103:8; 1 Ti 1:16)
 - ③ He now realizes what true _____ is. (Ps 73:23-28; Eph 1:3; 1 Pe 1:3)

Whom have I in heaven but You? And earth has nothing I desire besides You. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. **Psalm 73:25-26**

- ◆ He discovers the _____ isn’t _____ we have but _____ we are!
- ◆ Following Christ isn’t _____ but it’s _____ it b/c we have _____!