**Message:** *Disappointment with God - From Doubt to Certainty* **Scripture**: Psalm 73

# **PROBLEM - THERE IS A CONTRADICTION BETWEEN FAITH AND REASON.**

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

They have <u>no struggles</u>, their bodies are <u>healthy and strong</u>. Psalm 73:4

They say "How can God know? Does the Most High know anything?" Psalm 73:11

This is what the wicked are like – <u>always free of care</u>, they go on <u>amassing wealth</u>. Psalm 73:12

Surely in vain <u>I</u> have kept my heart pure and <u>I</u> have washed my hands in innocence. All day long<u>I</u> have been afflicted, and every morning brings new punishments. Psalm 73:13-14

For <u>I envied</u> the arrogant when <u>I saw the prosperity</u> of the wicked. Psalm 73:3

## SOLUTION

till I entered the sanctuary of God; Psalm 73:17

## 1. NEW PERSPECTIVE ON HUMAN DESTINY

...then I understood their final, destiny. Psalm 73:17

...O Lord you will despise them as fantasies. Psalm 73:20

## 2. NEW PERSPECTIVE ON MYSELF

You guide me with your counsel and afterward you will take me into glory. Psalm73:24

## 3. NEW PERSPECTIVE ON WHAT MATTERS

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

...it is good to be near God. Psalm 73:28

You guide me with your counsel and afterward you will take me into glory. Psalm 73:24