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¹ Truly God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart. ² But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled, my steps had nearly slipped. ³ For I was envious of the arrogant when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.



PSALM 73:1-3

⁴ For they have no pangs until death;
their bodies are fat and sleek. ⁵ They
are not in trouble as others are; they
are not stricken like the rest of
mankind. ⁶ Therefore pride is their
necklace; violence covers them
as a garment.

A stylized illustration at the bottom of the image. It features a dark, jagged mountain peak in the center, rendered in shades of blue and black. The peak is flanked by stylized foliage, including bushes and trees with green and blue leaves. The background is a solid dark red color, matching the overall theme of the text.

PSALM 73:4-6

⁷ Their eyes swell out through
fatness; their hearts overflow with
follies. ⁸ They scoff and speak with
malice; loftily they threaten
oppression. ⁹ They set their mouths
against the heavens, and their
tongue struts through the earth.

A stylized illustration at the bottom of the page features a dark, jagged mountain peak in the center. The peak is rendered in shades of dark blue and black. On either side of the mountain, there are clusters of foliage, including leaves and branches, in various shades of blue, green, and brown. The entire illustration is set against a solid reddish-brown background.

PSALM 73:7-9

¹⁰ Therefore his people turn back to them, and find no fault in them.
¹¹ And they say, “How can God know? Is there knowledge in the Most High?” ¹² Behold, these are the wicked; always at ease, they increase in riches.



PSALM 73:10-12

¹³ All in vain have I kept my heart
clean and washed my hands in
innocence. ¹⁴ For all the day long I
have been stricken and rebuked
every morning. ¹⁵ If I had said, “I will
speak thus, “I would have betrayed
the generation of your children.

A stylized illustration of a mountain peak and foliage. The mountain is depicted in shades of brown and tan, with a dark, jagged peak. In the foreground, there are dark blue and green leafy branches. The background is a solid reddish-brown color.

PSALM 73:13-15

¹⁶ But when I thought how to understand this, it seemed to me a wearisome task, ¹⁷ until I went into the sanctuary of God; then I discerned their end. ¹⁸ Truly you set them in slippery places; you make them fall to ruin.



PSALM 73:16-18

¹⁹ How they are destroyed in a moment, swept away utterly by terrors! ²⁰ Like a dream when one awakes, O Lord, when you rouse yourself, you despise them as phantoms. ²¹ When my soul was embittered, when I was pricked in heart,

PSALM 73:19-21

22 I was brutish and ignorant;

I was like a beast toward you.

23 Nevertheless, I am continually with
you; you hold my right hand.

24 You guide me with your counsel,
and afterward you will receive me
to glory.



PSALM 73:22-24

²⁵ Whom have I in heaven but you?
And there is nothing on earth that I
desire besides you. ²⁶ My flesh and
my heart may fail, but God is the
strength of my heart
and my portion forever.



PSALM 73:25-26

27 For behold, those who are far from
you shall perish; you put an end to
everyone who is unfaithful to you.

28 But for me it is good to be near
God; I have made the Lord GOD my
refuge, that I may tell of all your
works.



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3. Fixing our eyes on Christ leads to worship (v. 23-28)



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