

13. In what ways is God being one's strength and shepherd similar? In what ways are they different?



## HEART

14. Share a time in which you recently felt as the psalmist did in Psalm 73. Share your "but God" moment in which He got you through it.

15. Why do believers often find themselves living in despair?



## HANDS

16. How can we coach ourselves through times of despair? Besides Psalm 73:26, Share one specific Scripture that can be used.

17. Think of a fellow-believer that is struggling right now. How will you come alongside them this week to help them get through their struggles?

# BUT GOD- PART 2

PSALM 73

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1. \_\_\_\_\_ is Hard

2. God is \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ is Restored

### PRACTICAL APPLICATION

1. Surround yourself with a godly support system
2. Don't be afraid (or ashamed) to cry out to God in desperate situations
3. Rely on God's wisdom and sovereignty

### WAYS TO DIG DEEPER



- **Read:** *The Lord is My Shepherd* by Robert J. Morgan
- **Memorize:** John 10:27
- **Listen:** But God Series @ [www.npdepew.com](http://www.npdepew.com)
- **Download:** NorthPoint App ([northpointapp.com](http://northpointapp.com))

## QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH

1. Name an individual that seems to always be able to rise above their problems and keep an optimistic outlook. What makes this possible for them?
2. What types of situations tend to weigh the heaviest on you (financial, physical, etc.)? Why do you think this is the case?



### BIG IDEA OF SUNDAY'S SERMON

When I am overwhelmed and distraught, God is near and He is able to bring me through my most challenging moments.



### HEAD

*Read Psalm 73:23-28*

3. From the text itself, what did you hear/learn that you did not know prior to this weekend?
4. From verse 2, summarize the psalmist's condition.
5. According to Pastor Brian, what was significant about the psalmist finding hope in the "sanctuary" of God?

6. Distinguish between the terms "flesh" and "heart." Used together, what do these terms represent?
7. What were the two components that make life "hard"? What could be added to the list? Which is more challenging for you personally? Why?
8. Compare verse 2 with verse 18. What is different between these two verses? What can we learn from this?
9. From verse 28, what 2 things did the psalmist indicate should happen to the one who trusts God?
10. In his message, Pastor Brian shared several things that Jesus did to overcome desperation. Which stood out to you the most? Why?

*Read Psalm 23*

11. What negative experiences are portrayed in this psalm that compare to those in Psalm 73?
12. What enabled David to get through these trying times? Share specific details from the psalm.