PSALMS 73

PSALMS 73:1

1 A Psalm of Asaph. Truly God *is* good to Israel, *even* to such as are of a clean heart.

PSALMS 73:2

2 But as for me, my feet were almost gone; my steps had well nigh slipped.

PSALMS 73:3

3 For I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

PSALMS 73:4

4 For *there are* no bands in their death: but their strength *is* firm.

PSALMS 73:5

5 They are not in trouble as other men; neither are they plagued like other men.

PSALMS 73:6

6 Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence covereth them as a garment.

PSALMS 73:7

7 Their eyes stand out with fatness: they have more than heart could wish.

PSALMS 73:8

8 They are corrupt, and speak wickedly *concerning* oppression: they speak loftily.

PSALMS 73:9

9 They set their mouth against the heavens, and their tongue walketh through the earth.

PSALMS 73:10

10 Therefore his people return hither: and waters of a full *cup* are wrung out to them.

PSALMS 73:11

11 And they say, How doth God know? and is there knowledge in the most High?

PSALMS 73:12

12 Behold, these *are* the ungodly, who prosper in the world; they increase *in* riches.

PSALMS 73:13

13 Verily I have cleansed my heart *in* vain, and washed my hands in innocency.

PSALMS 73:14

14 For all the day long have I been plagued, and chastened every morning.

PSALMS 73:15

15 ¶ If I say, I will speak thus; behold, I should offend *against* the generation of thy children.

PSALMS 73:16

16 When I thought to know this, it was too painful for me;

PSALMS 73:17

17 Until I went into the sanctuary of God; *then* understood I their end.

PSALMS 73:18

18 Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction.

PSALMS 73:19

19 How are they *brought* into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors.

PSALMS 73:20

20 As a dream when *one* awaketh; *so*, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image.

PSALMS 73:21

21 Thus my heart was grieved, and I was pricked in my reins.

PSALMS 73:22

22 So foolish was I, and ignorant: I was as a beast before thee.

PSALMS 73:23

23 Nevertheless I *am* continually with thee: thou hast holden *me* by my right hand.

PSALMS 73:24

24 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.

PSALMS 73:25

25 Whom have I in heaven *but thee*? and *there is* none upon earth *that* I desire beside thee.

PSALMS 73:26

26 My flesh and my heart faileth: *but* God *is* the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

PSALMS 73:27

27 For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee.

PSALMS 73:28

28 But *it is* good for me to draw near to God: I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all thy works.