

Psalm 73:1-28 {p}

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1A) 73:1A Surely **GOD IS GOOD** to Israel;

2B) 73:1B *Even* to such as are **PURE IN HEART**;

1C) 73:2-4 But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled; my steps had well nigh **SLIPPED**. 3 For I was envious of the boastful, *when* I saw the prosperity of the wicked. 4 For *there are* no pangs at their death, and their strength *is* firm;

1D) 73:5 They *are* not in trouble *as other* men, neither are they **PLAGUED** like *other* men;

1E) 73:6-7 Therefore pride compasses them about as a necklace; violence covers them as a garment. 7 Their eyes stand forth from **ABUNDANCE**; they have more than heart could wish;

1F) 73:8-9 They **scoff**, and in wickedness **utter oppression**; they speak **AS IF THERE WERE NONE ON HIGH**. 9 They have set their **mouth** against the heavens, and **their tongue walks** through the earth;

CENTRAL AXIS) 73:10 **THEREFORE HIS PEOPLE RETURN HERE, AND WATERS OF FULLNESS ARE DRAINED OUT BY THEM;**

2F) 73:11 And they say, “How does God know? And is there knowledge in the **MOST HIGH**?”

2E) 73:12 Behold, such *are* the wicked, who are always at ease; **THEY INCREASE** riches;

2D) 73:13-14 Surely in vain I have cleansed my heart, and washed my hands in innocence. 14 For all day long I have been **PLAGUED**, and chastened every morning;

2C) 73:15-26 But YHVH surely sets them in **SLIPPERY PLACES**;

1a) 73:15 If I had said, “I will speak thus,” behold, **I would have been faithless** to the generation of Your children;

1b) 73:16 When I thought to understand this, it *was* **wearisome** in my eyes—

1c) 73:17 Until I entered into the sanctuary of God, and considered **their end**;

central axis) 73:18-19 **Surely You set them in slippery places; You hurl them down to utter ruin. 19 How they have be-**

come a desolation in a moment! They are wholly consumed by terrors;

2c) 73:20 As a dream when one awakes, *so*, O Lord, **when you arouse Yourself**, You shall despise their imaginations;

2b) 73:21-22 Thus my heart was **grieved**, and I was pierced in my inmost soul. 22 But I *was* brutish, and ignorant; I was *as* a beast before You;

2a) 73:23-26 Nevertheless I *am* continually with You; You hold my right hand. 24 You shall guide me with Your counsel, and afterward receive me *to* glory. 25 Whom have I in heaven but You? And besides You I desire none upon earth. 26 My flesh and my heart fails; *but* God *is* the strength of my heart and my portion forever (i.e., **He is faithful** to the generation of His children);

2B) 73:27 For lo, those who go far from You shall perish; You destroy all those **WHO GO ASTRAY** from You;

2A) 73:28 But as for me, **IT IS GOOD** for me to draw near to God; **{n}** I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all Your works. **{p}**