

ENTER THE SANCTUARY

[Psalm 73]

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Introduction

Getting by on Pet Answers... (The Story of James Humes)

An Intriguing Introduction (v.1-2)

“Truly God is good to Israel,
To those who are pure in heart.
But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled;
My steps are nearly slipped.”

Reason (v.3) - The Prosperity of the Wicked!

Three Things about the Wicked (v.4-12)

- They are Prosperous (v.4)
- They are Proud (v.6)
- They are Powerful (v.8)

Two Inner Struggles (v. 13-16)

First Inner Struggle (v.13-15)

v.13 - “All in vain have I kept my heart clean
and washed my hands in innocence”
(I give up!)

First Inner Struggle (v.13-15)

v.15 - “If I had said, “I will speak thus,” I would have betrayed the generation of your children.”

(But I can't give up!)

Second Inner Struggle (v.16)

“But when I thought how to understand this,
it seemed to me a wearisome task.”

(I try to understand, but I can't understand!)



**What exactly did Asaph learn in the
Sanctuary of God?**

Three Lessons!!!

A small green seedling with several leaves is growing out of a crack in a piece of dark, weathered wood. The background is a blurred, dark surface.

A. His Evaluation of Life was from the Wrong Perspective (v18-20)



**B. His Goal In Life was
of the Wrong Desire (v21-22)**



**C. His Foundation In Life was
of the Wrong Hope (v23-24)**

Conclusion

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