

WHY IS LIFE NOT FAIR?

Is God willing to prevent evil, but not able? Then he is not powerful. Is he able, but not willing? Then he is not good. Is he both able and willing? Then why is there evil? Epicurus

God is indeed good to Israel, to the pure in heart. But as for me, my feet almost slipped; my steps nearly went astray. Psalm 73:1-2

For I envied the arrogant; I saw the prosperity of the wicked.
Psalm 73:3

Did I purify my heart and wash my hands in innocence for nothing?
Psalm 73:13

... God's presence is my good. I have made the Lord GOD my refuge.
Psalm 73:28

1. Don't look around with envy

When I became embittered and my innermost being was wounded, I was stupid and didn't understand; I was an unthinking animal toward you.
Psalm 73:21-22

2. Look up for your delight

Who do I have in heaven but you? And I desire nothing on earth but you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart, my portion forever. Psalm 73:25-26

Taste and see that the LORD is good. Psalm 34:8

"The Psalmist asks no other award from God except God ... God's award is simply God Himself." Augustine

3. Look forward to your destiny

When I tried to understand all this, it seemed hopeless until I entered God's sanctuary. Then I understood their destiny. Indeed, you put them in slippery places... Psalm 73:16-18

They will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.
Matthew 25:46

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