

Salem Baptist Church

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Service: PM

Preacher: Mr R Brown

Text: Psalm 73:23-28

Title: The Christian's Desire

Outline:

Introduction

This psalm has been a very great help to Christians of all generations and God has put it here for a very special reason.

In our Christian experience we have to get to verse 23 and then to verse 25.

1. Psalmist's Confession vs2,3, Vs 3 Envious

This can be very damaging for God's people. James 4:2,3
The psalmist confesses he almost came unstuck vs 2

2. Psalmist's Confusion vs 3-14

- a) The Wicked are prospering vs 3-12, 2 Timothy 3:1-5
- b) The Godly are Suffering vs 14

3. Psalmist's Confidence vs 23,24

There are 4 aspects to Asaph's confidence:

- a) God's Presence vs 23a
- b) God's Protection vs 23b
- c) God's Provision vs 24a

This provision is both providence and guidance

- d) God's Promise vs 24b

4. Psalmist's Conclusion vs 25-28

- a) God is his Everything vs 25a
 - b) God is his Desire vs25b, Psalm 42:1,2, Psalm 84:1,2
 - c) God is his Strength vs 26b
 - d) God is his Life vs 26c
 - e) God is his Goodness vs 28
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