

May 15 Questions

- 1) Asaph's psalms. Asaph was a Levite _____ who played a leading role in worship during the time of David. His _____ also carried on the family tradition of music (Ezra 3:10). In Psalm 73, Asaph described his struggle with being _____ of the wicked: "They are not in trouble as others are; they are not stricken like the rest of mankind. Their eyes swell out through _____; their hearts overflow with follies. Behold, these are the wicked; always at _____, they increase in riches" (Ps 73:5, 7, 12). What made the prosperity of the wicked so galling was the fact that Asaph was suffering: "All in _____ have I kept my heart clean and washed my hands in innocence. For all the day long I have been stricken and rebuked every morning" (Ps 73:13-14). However, Asaph had enough sense to keep his emotions in check, and he did not speak _____ God to other believers (v. 15). Instead, he made his way to God's house and _____. Then he realized: "Truly you set them in slippery places; you make them fall to _____. How they are destroyed in a moment, swept away utterly by terrors!" (Ps 73:17-19). Asaph teaches us: "Those who are far from you will perish, but as for me, it is good to be near God" (Ps 73:27-28).