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Why do the Wicked Prosper?

"Surely You did set them in slippery places. You cast them down into destruction... in a moment they are utterly consumed with terrors. ... thus my soul was grieved, and I was pricked in my heart. How foolish I was and ignorant too! I was like a dumb animal before You." Psalm 73:18 – 22

All of our perspectives turn on our entering into the sanctuary of the Lord! We gain a clear head and focused vision. Garbled thoughts and sounds become clarified. Previous thoughts of the prosperous wicked, while appearing right, have had their facades stripped off and we now see that their thinking and standing is on the fragile ledge of destruction!

But not only has coming into the sanctuary of the Lord given us a new insight into the lives and thoughts of the prosperous wicked, it has (and always will) give us a fresh insight into our own lives! Repentance is most often the first order of things when being confronted by the Presence of the Lord. We 'see' things as the genuinely are'' – good and/or bad!

In a flash it is obvious...

Not only is the good seen, not only is the bad seen, but even more importantly, my own heart's condition is seen! It is laid bare by the Eternal Word.

"Lord, may You draw me into Your presence that I might see my own heart's condition to the end that I might be more like Your Son, Jesus Christ, and that then I might have something of value to offer others! Amen!"

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