

Scripture Reading

PSALM 73

TWO TYPES OF ENVY

General envy

Definition: Resenting others' blessings.

"Why do others have it so much better than me?"

Philosophical envy

Definition: Struggle over seeming injustice.

"Why do the ungodly have it so much better than me?"

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He relishes his life's Possession (VV. 23-28). I belong to God now, and I'll enjoy him forever.

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- 3. Linda—Anticipate coming days when your faith will collide with experience (vv. 1-3). Especially on those days, return to the cross (vv. 16-17).