

# How Is Jesus Our Greatest Treasure?

Nothing on earth can be held forever even our own life as if that needed to be said... and it does. Except one thing: Jesus and His work of redemption for us!

*Ps 73:21-28: “When my soul was embittered, when I was pricked in heart, I was brutish and ignorant; I was like a beast toward you. Nevertheless, I am continually with you; you hold my right hand. You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory. Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. For behold, those who are far from you shall perish; you put an end to everyone who is unfaithful to you. But for me it is good to be near God; I have made the Lord GOD my refuge, that I may tell of all your works.”*

## **1) Those who are far from the Lord will perish!**

*Ps. 37:17 says: “For the arms of the wicked shall be broken,...”*

## **2) Jesus saves us from a terrible destiny by His work for us on the cross and through His resurrection!**

*1 Cor. 1:21, 27-31 says: “it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe.” ... “But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, so that, as it is written, ‘Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.’”*

*(see also John 6:54)*

## **3) Jesus guides and upholds those who treasure Him in this life!**

**a) He guides them!**

Ps. 73:24 above: *“You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory.”*

**b) He upholds the righteous!**

Ps. 37:17; 23-24 says: *“For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, but the LORD upholds the righteous.”; “The steps of a man are established by the LORD, when he delights in his way; though he fall, he shall not be cast headlong, for the LORD upholds his hand.”*

Ps 73:23: *“Nevertheless, I am continually with you; you hold my right hand.”*

**c) He will not forsake His saints!**

Ps 37:28 says: *“For the LORD loves justice; he will not forsake his saints. They are preserved forever, but the children of the wicked shall be cut off.”*

**d) The Lord is our strength!**

Ps 73:26 says: *“My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.”*

**4) He is our portion forever!**

Ps 73:26 says: *“My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.”*

Ps. 37:18, 28: *“The LORD knows the days of the blameless, and their heritage will remain forever;”; “For the LORD loves justice; he will not forsake his saints. They are preserved forever, but the children of the wicked shall be cut off.”*

Col. 3:4: *“When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.”*

**5) But we must first ask Him to save us: to be our treasure forever!**

Rom. 10:13: *For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”*

John 3:16: *“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”*

\*Would you like Jesus to be YOUR treasure? Have you called upon Jesus through prayer to be your Savior and Lord? You can do it! And you can do it now! Talk to Him in prayer if you have not already done it by praying a prayer like this.

*“Lord Jesus, I know I’m a sinner in and of myself. Please forgive me of going my own way. Thank you for coming and dying for me to forgive me of my sins. I believe you rose again the third day for me. I ask you to change me and lead me in my life to be what you intend for me to be for you.”*