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¹ Surely God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart. ² But as for me, my feet had almost slipped; I had nearly lost my foothold.

³ For I envied the arrogant when I saw the prosperity of the wicked. ⁴ They have no struggles; their bodies are healthy and strong.

 ⁵ They are free from common human burdens; they are not plagued by human ills.
 ⁶ Therefore pride is their necklace; they clothe themselves with violence.

 ⁷ From their callous hearts comes iniquity; their evil imaginations have no limits.
 ⁸ They scoff, and speak with malice; with arrogance they threaten oppression.

⁹ Their mouths lay claim to heaven, and their tongues take possession of the earth. ¹⁰ Therefore their people turn to them and drink up waters in abundance.

¹¹ They say, "How would God know? Does the Most High know anything?" ¹² This is what the wicked are like always free of care, they go on a massing wealth.

 ¹³ Surely in vain I have kept my heart pure and have washed my hands in innocence.
 ¹⁴ All day long I have been afflicted, and every morning brings new punishments.

¹⁵ If I had spoken out like that, I would have betrayed your children.



 ¹⁶ When I tried to understand all this, it troubled me deeply
 ¹⁷ till I entered the sanctuary of God; then I understood their final destiny.

¹⁸ Surely you place them on slippery ground; you cast them down to ruin.
¹⁹ How suddenly are they destroyed, completely swept away by terrors!

²⁰ They are like a dream when one awakes; when you arise, Lord, you will despise them as fantasies.

²¹ When my heart was grieved and my spirit embittered,
²² I was senseless and ignorant;
I was a brute beast before you.

²³ Yet I am always with you;
 you hold me by my right hand.
 ²⁴ You guide me with your counsel,
 and afterward you will take me into glory.

²⁵ Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you.
²⁶ My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

²⁷ Those who are far from you will perish; you destroy all who are unfaithful to you.

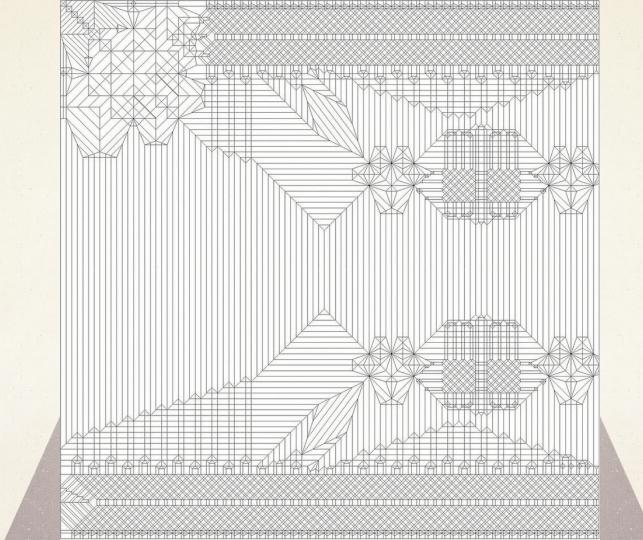


²⁸ But as for me, it is good to be near God.
I have made the Sovereign Lord my refuge;
I will tell of all your deeds.













Jude 22

Be merciful to those who doubt





Crisis of doubt (vv. 1-2)



Source of doubt (vv. 3-14)



Finding hope in the midst of doubt (vv. 15-28)



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