

# **Wednesday Family Night Bible Study**

## **The Prideful Attitude**

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### **THE PRIDEFUL ATTITUDE**

Proverbs 21:4 NCV

Proud looks, proud thoughts, and evil actions are sin.

### **THE POWER OF PRIDE**

Proverbs 6:16-19 NKJV

16 These six things the LORD hates, yes, seven are an abomination to Him: 17 A proud look, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, 18 A heart that devises wicked plans, feet that are swift in running to evil, 19 A false witness who speaks lies, and one who sows discord among brethren.

Proverbs 16:5 NKJV

Everyone proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD...

Proverbs 8:13 NLT

All who fear the Lord will hate evil. Therefore, I hate pride and arrogance, corruption and perverse speech.

Mark 7:21-23 NLT

21 For from within, out of a person's heart, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, 22 adultery, greed, wickedness, deceit, lustful desires, envy, slander, pride, and foolishness. 23 All these vile things come from within; they are what defile you.

### **THE PRIDE OF LIFE**

1 JOHN 2:15-16 NKJV

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.

Matthew 4:1-11 NLT

8 Next the devil took him to the peak of a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 “I will give it all to you,” he said, “if you will kneel down and worship me.” 10 “Get out of here, Satan,” Jesus told him. “For the Scriptures say, ‘You must worship the Lord your God and serve only him.’” 11 Then the devil went away, and angels came and took care of Jesus.

Genesis 3:1-6 NKJV

1 Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, “Has God indeed said, ‘You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?’” 2 And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden;

Genesis 3:1-6 NKJV

3 but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, ‘You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.’”

4 Then the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. 5 For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

Genesis 3:1-6 NKJV

6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

## **PRIDE IS THE SOURCE OF SIN**

Isaiah 14:12-15 NLT

12 “How you are fallen from heaven, O shining star, son of the morning! You have been thrown down to the earth, you who destroyed the nations of the world. 13 For you said to yourself, ‘I WILL ascend to heaven and set my throne above God’s stars. I WILL preside on the mountain of the gods far away in the north.

14 I WILL climb to the highest heavens and be like the Most High.’

Isaiah 14:12-15 NLT

15 Instead, you will be brought down to the place of the dead, down to its lowest depths.

Ezekiel 28:12-19 NIV

12 ...'You were the model of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. 13 You were in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone adorned you: ruby, topaz and emerald, chrysolite, onyx and jasper, sapphire, turquoise and beryl. Your settings and mountings were made of gold; on the day you were created they were prepared.

Ezekiel 28:12-19 NIV

14 You were anointed as a guardian cherub, for so I ordained you. You were on the holy mount of God; you walked among the fiery stones. 15 You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created till wickedness was found in you.

16 Through your widespread trade you were filled with violence, and you sinned. So I drove you in disgrace from the mount of God, and I expelled you, O guardian cherub, from among the fiery stones.

Ezekiel 28:12-19 NIV

17 Your heart became PROUD on account of your beauty, and you corrupted your wisdom because of your splendor. So I threw you to the earth; I made a spectacle of you before kings. 18 By your many sins and dishonest trade you have desecrated your sanctuaries. So I made a fire come out from you, and it consumed you, and I reduced you to ashes on the ground in the sight of all who were watching.

Ezekiel 28:12-19 NIV

19 All the nations who knew you are appalled at you; you have come to a horrible end and will be no more.

## **SPECIFICS ABOUT PRIDE**

### **Pride will keep you out of heaven!**

Matthew 18:1-4 NLT

1 About that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven?" 2 Jesus called a little child to him and put the child among them. 3 Then he said, "I tell you the truth, unless you turn from your sins and become like little children, you will never get into the Kingdom of Heaven. 4 So anyone who becomes as humble as this little child is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Matthew 5:1-10 NLT

1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a hill and sat down. His followers came to him, 2 and he began to teach them, saying: 3 "They are blessed who realize their spiritual poverty, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to them. 4 They are blessed who grieve, for God will comfort them. 5 They are blessed who are humble, for the whole earth will be theirs.

Matthew 5:1-10 NLT

6 They are blessed who hunger and thirst after justice, for they will be satisfied. 7 They are blessed who show mercy to others, for God will show mercy to them. 8 They are blessed whose thoughts are pure, for they will see God. 9 They are blessed who work for peace, for they will be called God's children. 10 They are blessed who are persecuted for doing good, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to them.

### **Pride keeps a person from repenting.**

Exodus 5:2 NKJV

And Pharaoh said, “Who is the Lord, that I should obey His voice to let Israel go? I do not know the Lord, nor will I let Israel go.”

**Pride will cause you to live beyond your means.**

Matthew 6:19-21 NLT

19 “Don’t store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. 20 Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal. 21 Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.

**Pride causes contention.**

Proverbs 13:10 NCV

Pride only leads to arguments, but those who take advice are wise.

**Pride leads people away from God.**

Psalms 10:4 NKJV

The wicked in his proud countenance does not seek God; God is in none of his thoughts.

**Pride leads to ruin.**

Proverbs 16:18 NCV

Pride leads to destruction; a proud attitude brings ruin.

## **VARIOUS FORMS OF PRIDE**

### **Spiritual pride**

Ephesians 2:8-10 NLT

8 God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can’t take credit for this; it is a gift from God. 9 Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. 10 For we are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.

### **Intellectual Pride**

1 Corinthians 8:1-2 NKJV

1 ... We know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffs up, but love edifies. 2 And if anyone thinks that he knows anything, he knows nothing yet as he ought to know.

### **Material Pride**

1 Chronicles 29:10-14 NKJV

10 Therefore David blessed the LORD before all the assembly; and David said: “Blessed are You, LORD God of Israel, our Father, forever and ever. 11 Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty; for all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as head over all.

1 Chronicles 29:10-14 NKJV

12 Both riches and honor come from You, and You reign over all. In Your hand is power and might; in Your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. 13 “Now therefore, our God, we thank You and praise Your glorious name. 14 But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly as this? For all things come from You, and of Your own we have given You.

James 1:17 NKJV

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

### **Social Pride**

Romans 12:16 NLT

Live in harmony with each other. Don't be too proud to enjoy the company of ordinary people. And don't think you know it all!

## **OVERCOMING PRIDE**

### **Take the attitude of God.**

Proverbs 6:16-17 NKJV

16 These six things the LORD hates, yes, seven are an abomination to Him: 17 A proud look...

### **Love is the cure.**

1 Corinthians 13:4 NLT

Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud.

1 Peter 4:8 (NKJV)

8 And above all things have fervent love for one another, for “love will cover a multitude of sins.”

### **Never forget your human.**

Psalms 103:14 NKJV

For He knows our frame; He remembers that we are dust.

1 Corinthians 15:10 NKJV

But by the grace of God I am what I am...

**Remember all our ability comes from God.**

2 Corinthians 3:5 NCV

We are not saying that we can do this work ourselves. It is God who makes us able to do all that we do.

Galatians 6:3 NCV

If anyone thinks he is important when he really is not, he is only fooling himself.

**Walk humbly with God.**

Micah 6:8 NLT

No, O people, the Lord has told you what is good, and this is what he requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.

**Glory only in the cross of Christ.**

Galatians 6:14 NIV

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

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