

## “IS PRIDE A PROBLEM FOR YOU?”

### I. ARE YOU PERSONALLY AWARE OF THE PROBLEM OF PRIDE?

#### A. WHAT is Pride?

1. An English definition of pride is a \_\_\_\_\_ or excessive \_\_\_\_\_ of one's own importance, merit, or \_\_\_\_\_, whether as cherished in the mind or as displayed in conduct.
  
2. The Greek New Testament uses at least three different words to describe pride...
  - a. *Huperephania* the character of one who has an \_\_\_\_\_ estimate of his own powers, merits or worth and who often looks \_\_\_\_\_ on others. (Mark 7:22)
  
  - b. *Tuphoo* to be \_\_\_\_\_ with haughtiness or pride to the point where one is \_\_\_\_\_ with conceit. (1 Tim. 3:6)
  
  - c. *Alazoneia* a braggart who \_\_\_\_\_ boasts about oneself, and trusts in earthly possessions. (1 John 2:16)

#### B. WHERE did Pride Originate?

1. Isaiah 14:12-15
  
2. Ezekiel 28:11-19
  
3. Genesis 3:1ff

#### C. WHO has a Pride Problem Today?

1. Mark 7:14-23
  
2. Romans 1:18-25, 29-32
  
3. 2 Timothy 3:1-5

#### **D. HOW does Pride Show Itself?**

1. By taking the \_\_\_\_\_ which God deserves. (Acts 12:20-23)
2. By trusting in \_\_\_\_\_ while \_\_\_\_\_ others. (Luke 18:9-14)
3. By \_\_\_\_\_ in your own accomplishments. (James 4:13-17)
4. By living \_\_\_\_\_ from the Lord. (Psalm 10:1-6)
5. By \_\_\_\_\_ because it's your way or the highway. (Prov. 13:10)
6. By not being \_\_\_\_\_ to God's truth. (Prov. 15:31-32)
7. By failing to \_\_\_\_\_ when you are wrong. (Prov. 28:13)

## **II. ARE YOU AWARE OF GOD'S REMEDY FOR PRIDE?**

### **A. The Opposite of Pride is Humility**

1. Proverbs 11:2
2. Proverbs 15:32-33
3. Proverbs 16:18-20
4. James 4:6, 10

### **B. Humility Involves Grace-Orientation**

1. You must accept God's evaluation of yourself as a \_\_\_\_\_ before an infinitely holy, awesome God. (Ps. 62:9; Isa. 6:1-7; Jer. 17:9; Rom. 3:10-12, 23)
2. You must understand and \_\_\_\_\_ the Gospel of Jesus Christ in order to be saved. (Matt. 18:3-4; 21:28-32; Rom. 5:6-8; 1 Cor. 1:17-30)
3. You must learn to give all the \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Cor. 1:31; 15:10)
4. You must allow God's Word (via the Holy Spirit) to \_\_\_\_\_ you as a believer the riches of God's \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Cor. 2:12; 4:7; 8:1-2; 2 Pet. 3:18)
5. You must realize that while you are not sufficient in yourself, you can, and should \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ for everything in life. (2 Cor. 3:5)