

What's Your Problem?
Dealing With Pride
Proverbs 16:18

Proverbs 16:18 (NKJV) Pride goes before destruction, And a haughty spirit before a fall.

I. The Problem of Pride

- A. God Hates Pride - Proverbs 16:5; James 4:6**
- B. Pride Hates God - Psalms 10:4**
- C. Pride Forfeits Wisdom From God - Psalms 25:9; Proverbs 26:12**
- D. Pride Always Leads to a Fall - Proverbs 16:18; Isaiah 2:12-17; 1 Corinthians 10:12**

II. Understanding Pride

A. Healthy Pride

- i. Boasting in the Lord - Jeremiah 9:23-24; 2 Corinthians 10:17**
- ii. Honest Self-assessment - Romans 12:3; Galatians 6:3-4**

B. Wrongful Pride – the First Sin - Isaiah 14:12-15

C. Pride leads to:

- i. Disobedience Instead of Submission - 1 Samuel 15:22-23**
- ii. Hypocrisy Instead of Authentic Living - Matthew 23:25; Proverbs 12:9**
- iii. A Judgemental Spirit Instead of Love - 1 Corinthians 8:1; 1 Corinthians 4:3-4; 1 Corinthians 4:5; 1 Corinthians 11:31-32**
- iv. Boasting Instead of Meekness - Proverbs 27:2; 1 Corinthians 12:5-6**
- v. Isolation Instead of Community - Proverbs 13:10; Romans 12:16**

III. Dealing With Pride

- A. Confess Our Sins to God - Job 42:5-6; Isaiah 6:5**
- B. Consider the Cross - Galatians 6:14**
- C. Consider Our Salvation - Ephesians 2:8-9**
- D. Give God the Glory - Genesis 41:16; 2 Corinthians 3:5**
- E. Submit to God's Word - Isaiah 66:2; 1 Timothy 6:3-4**
- F. Be Thankful for God's Gifts - 1 Corinthians 4:7**
- G. Honour Others Before Ourselves - Romans 12:10; Philippians 2:3**
- H. Grow in the Fruit of the Spirit - 1 Corinthians 13:4**