

It's Not About Me

Psalm 10:4 (NKJV)

⁴ The wicked in his proud countenance does not seek *God*;
God *is* in none of his thoughts.

Proverbs 11:2 (NKJV)

² When pride comes, then comes shame;
But with the humble *is* wisdom.

Proverbs 16:18 (NKJV)

¹⁸ Pride *goes* before destruction,
And a haughty spirit before a fall.

Luke 18:9–14 (NKJV)

Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector

⁹ Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: ¹⁰ “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, ‘God, I thank You that I am not like other men—extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.’ ¹³ And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise *his* eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me a sinner!’ ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

Proverbs 29:23 (NKJV)

²³ A man’s pride will bring him low,
But the humble in spirit will retain honor.

pride *n.* — unreasonable and inordinate self-esteem.

Pride refers to an unwarranted attitude of confidence. While pride can have a positive connotation of self-worth or boasting, it is often used in Scripture to refer to an unhealthy elevated view of oneself, abilities, or possessions.

false pride *n.* — a self-exalting, self-absorbed conceit of one’s own superiority; especially one that believes that all achievements are of their own doing.

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Proverbs 8:12–13 (NKJV)

¹² “I, wisdom, dwell with prudence,
And find out knowledge *and* discretion.

¹³ The fear of the LORD *is* to hate evil;
Pride and arrogance and the evil way
And the perverse mouth I hate.

Proverbs 21:4 (NKJV)

⁴ A haughty look, a proud heart,
And the plowing of the wicked *are* sin.

1 Peter 5:6–7 (NKJV)

⁶ Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, ⁷ casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.
If we are to imitate Jesus! (humble servant)

Philippians 2:5–8 (NKJV)

The Humbled and Exalted Christ

⁵ Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, ⁷ but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, *and* coming in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to *the point of* death, even the death of the cross.

James 4:6 (NKJV)

But He gives more grace. Therefore He says: *“God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.”*

Proverbs 11:2 (NKJV)

When pride comes, then comes shame; But with the humble *is* wisdom.

Matthew 23:12 (NKJV)

And whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.

Psalms 147:6 (NKJV)

The LORD lifts up the humble; He casts the wicked down to the ground.

Philippians 2:3–4 (NKJV)

³ Let nothing *be done* through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. ⁴ Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

1 Peter 5:5–6 (NKJV)

⁵ Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to *your* elders. Yes, all of *you* be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for *“God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.”* ⁶ Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,

Philippians 2:9–11 (NKJV)

⁹ Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, ¹¹ and *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.