

COMMUNITY GROUPS

living out the gospel with
one another in our homes

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Text: Judges 12:1-7

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Judges chapter 12 begins with a face-off between Ephraim and the Gileadites led by Jephthah. The issue at hand was that Ephraim was not included in the battle with the Ammonites. Threats and insults escalated to the point of 42,000 Ephraimites being slaughtered.

1. What is pride? Ted confessed a specific example of a personal temptation of pride. Is anyone willing to share something more specific than “yeah, I struggle with pride”?
2. How do we see the outgrowth of pride in this text (Judges 12:1-7)?
3. What is humility? What examples of noteworthy humility have you seen?
4. How do we get humility? (Review James Ch. 4)
5. What do we deserve? What did we get? (Romans 6:23)
6. What did/does Jesus deserve? What did Jesus give to and get from the world?
7. When we are wronged, why can we respond with humility? Reference 1 Peter 2:21-23.
8. Why is humility a natural outgrowth of a Christian life? Reference Isaiah 26:8, Psalm 115:1.
9. Reflect on and discuss these questions below. Are there any that are more convicting to you compared to the others?
 - a. Can I genuinely celebrate when God is using someone else the way I wish he was using me?
 - b. How do I respond when I am not honored?
 - c. How do I respond when I am disrespected?
 - d. How do I respond when someone else gets the recognition I wanted?