

Pride
 Luke 18:9-14
 Fresh Start Week 5

...¹³*But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.'*¹⁴*tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." - Luke 18:9-14 (NIV)*

Pride is _____ destructive.
 Pride is _____ to detect.

“Pride is your greatest enemy. Humility is your greatest friend.” — John Stott

3 TYPES OF SINFUL PRIDE:

1. “I’m _____ than you” pride.
2. “I can _____ it” pride.
3. “It doesn’t _____ to me” pride.

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Digging Deeper & Life Application:

- Sinful pride is dangerously destructive and difficult to detect. Have you ever been surprised by the presence of pride in your own life? How did you realize you were struggling with pride?
- Three types of sinful pride are “I’m better than you,” “I can handle it,” and “It doesn’t apply to me.” Which type of pride do you experience most? What kind of impact does that pride have on your life?
- If you’re currently struggling with pride, how can you humble yourself before God this week? How could you confess a sin, ask for help, or turn back to God?