

The Good Life

Arrogance & Humility

TALK IT OVER

Key Scripture

"Whoever belittles his neighbor lacks sense, but a man of understanding remains silent." Proverbs 11:12 (ESV)

"25 The Lord tears down the house of the proud but maintains the widow's boundaries. 33 The fear of the Lord is instruction in wisdom, and humility comes before honor." Proverbs 15:25,33 (ESV)

"5 Everyone who is arrogant in heart is an abomination to the Lord; be assured, he will not go unpunished. 18 Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall. 19 It is better to be of a lowly spirit with the poor than to divide the spoil with the proud." Proverbs 16:5,18-19 (ESV)

"Before destruction a man's heart is haughty, but humility comes before honor." Pr 18:12

"Who can say, 'I have made my heart pure; I am clean from my sin?'" Pr 20:9 (ESV)

"Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy." Proverbs 28:13 (ESV)

"6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. 9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." Philippians 2:6-11 (ESV)

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Start Talking: Find a conversation starter for your group. (15 Min)

- Have you ever known someone who was a bit of a know it all? How well did you get along with that person?
- Where does the saying "pride comes before the fall" come from? What do you think it means?

Head: Start Thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking. (10 Min)

- Have different people read the following verses: Proverbs 11:12, 15:25, 15:33, 16:5, 16:18-19, 18:12 What do they say about pride? What do they say about humility?
- What is it about pride that makes you unwise?
- Is it possible to truly be humble?
- Read Proverbs 20:9 and Proverbs 28:13. What are we all guilty of? What are we to do about it?
- How does this remind us that we need God's grace?

Heart: Start Sharing. Choose a question to create openness. (10 Min)

- How have you struggled with arrogance? How has it gotten you into trouble?
- Is humility really about thinking poorly of yourself? What does true humility look like?
- Can you think of how Jesus demonstrated humility?

Hands: Start Doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week. (10 Min)

- How can you work on your pride this week?
- Whose needs can you put first this week?

Start Praying. Be bold and pray with power. (15 Min)

- Holy Spirit, we are sorry when we let our pride get in the way. Remind us of the Humility Jesus demonstrated for us for the forgiveness of our sins. Thank You that You love us and that You are always helping us. Amen.

Trios: Split into same-gender groups of three. (15 Min)

1. What has God been teaching you in His word this week? Is there anything you need to repent of?
2. What's something you'd like someone else to check in with you about this week?
3. How's your weekly 3-2-1 challenge going? (3 Conversations with New People, Learn 2 Names, Make 1 Meaningful Connection)
4. Pray for one another.