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men:  
**SERVE**



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**July 23**  
**Oasis Rm**

BAND OF  
**BROTHERS**  
MEN'S MINISTRY

***“The greatest fault is to be  
conscious of none.”***

**Thomas Carlyle**

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## 2 Chronicles 26: 16

**But when he became strong, his heart was so proud that he acted corruptly, and he was unfaithful to the Lord his God, for he entered the temple of the Lord to burn incense on the altar of incense.**

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***“Pride is spiritual cancer; it eats the very possibility of love or contentment, or even common sense.”***

**C. S. Lewis**

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## Genesis 3:6

“When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make one wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate.”

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## Genesis 3:6

Good for Food

Pleasing to the eyes

Make one wise/God

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Genesis 3:6

Luke 4:1-12

Good for Food

Stones to bread

Pleasing to the eyes

Kingdoms of the world

Make one wise/God

Throw Yourself down

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## 1 John 2: 15-16

**<sup>15</sup> Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. <sup>16</sup> For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.**

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Pride of Life

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**Power**

**Privilege**

**Possessions (Wealth)**

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Good for Food

Stones to bread

Lust of the flesh (Power)

Pleasing to eyes Kingdoms of world

Lust of the eyes (Possessions)

Make wise/God Throw Yourself down Pride of Life (Privilege)

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# How to battle PRIDE

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# How to battle PRIDE

## 1. GKG vs. GTD

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# How to battle PRIDE

## 1. GKG vs. GTD

*“If God puts something in my hand without first doing something to my heart, my character will lag behind my achievements, and that is the way to ruin.”*

Warren Wiersbe

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# How to battle PRIDE

1. GKG vs. GTD

2. Encouragement vs. Entitlement

Hebrews 3:13; 10:24

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# How to battle PRIDE

1. GKG vs. GTD

2. Encouragement vs. Entitlement  
Hebrews 3:13; 10:24

3. Character vs. Cash  
1 Samuel 16:7

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**“Quitting costs more in the long  
run than finishing strong”**

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## Table Questions

1. Do you define yourself by your accomplishments? What gives you greater joy: Checking things off your list? Or being at Warrior's Heart? (Feeling anxious about what you need to do today after the meeting?)
2. Would you rather have someone say you "get a lot of things done" or that you value them as a person? What is one action you can take today that will encourage someone?
3. What do you think it means to focus on internal wealth versus external wealth? How do you think we can measure internal character?
4. What specifically spoke to you today? Share a prayer request with your table. Ask for a time you can contact the individual to check and see how the request turned out.

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