# Free From The Arrow Of Pride



"The reward of humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, honor and life."

Proverbs 22:4 (NASB)

# Part 2: Getting Your Whole Heart Back Session 2: Free From The Arrow Of Pride

Freedom

Becoming Fully Alive!



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## **Becoming Fully Alive!**

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## I. FREE FROM THE ARROW OF PRIDE

#### A. PRIDE - AN ISSUE OF SIGNIFICANCE

- 1. Romans 12:3
- 2. Philippians 2:3-11
- 3. James 4:10

#### **B. PRIDE PERSONIFIED**

- 1. Isaiah 14:12-14 (Satan)
- 2. Genesis 3:4-5 (Satan tempting Eve)
- 3. Daniel 4:28-37 (King Nebuchadnezzar)
- 4. I Samuel 18:6—I Samuel 19:1 (King Saul)

#### C. EVERY ARROW IS DIPPED IN THE POISON OF PRIDE

- 1. Pride
- 2. Shame
- 3. Fear
- 4. Rejection
- 5. Anger
- 6. Depression

#### **D.** THE MANY FACES OF PRIDE

- 1. Trusting in yourself vs. trusting in God.
- 2. Believing in yourself vs. believing in God.
- 3. Angry with yourself or hating yourself vs. submitting to God's sovereign will and letting Him define you.
- 4. Comparing yourself with others vs. being content with who you are.
- 5. Elevating yourself or putting others down.

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- 6. Being judgmental or critical of others.
- 7. Being unforgiving of others.
- 8. Being jealous of others.
- 9. Trying to impress others.
- 10. Seeking to be served rather than serving others.
- 11. Being self-conscious.
- 12. Being shy vs. "getting out of yourself."
- 13. Being arrogant.
- 14. Being vain.
- 15. Valuing being "right" more than being in right relationship.
- 16. Having an "entitlement" mentality.
- 17. Thinking you "deserve better" than this.
- 18. Having a demanding attitude.
- 19. Having a condescending attitude toward others.
- 20. Having a "know it all" attitude.
- 21. Being insecure security in "I."
- 22. Never willing to admit wrong.
- 23. Blaming others vs. taking responsibility.
- 24. Unwillingness to let yourself really be known.
- 25. Promoting yourself rather than giving God the glory and/or giving others credit for their part.
- 26. Putting yourself first ("Me First") rather than putting God first and preferring others ahead of you.
- 27. Having a "poor me" attitude (self-pity)
- 28. Being "performance based" in living.
- 29. Being perfectionistic.
- 30. Needing to be the center of attention.
- 31. Being un-teachable, defensive, and argumentative.

#### E. "MY NAME IS PRIDE"

#### A story from **Praying God's Word** by Beth Moore

My name is Pride. I am a cheater. I cheat you of your God-given destiny . . . because you demand your own way. I cheat you of contentment . . . because you "deserve better than this." I cheat you of knowledge ... Because you already know it all. I cheat you of healing . . . because you're too full of me to forgive. I cheat you of holiness . . . because you refuse to admit when you're wrong. I cheat you of vision . . . because you'd rather look in the mirror than out a window. I cheat you of genuine friendship ... because nobody's going to know the real you. I cheat you of love . . . because real romance demands sacrifice. I cheat you of greatness in heaven ... because you refuse to wash another's feet on earth. I cheat you of God's glory ... because I convince you to seek your own. My name is Pride. I am a cheater. You like me because you think I'm always looking out for you. Untrue. I'm looking to make a fool of you.

God has so much more for you, I admit, but don't worry . . . If you stick with me You'll never know.

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### **II. APPLICATION**

- A. Referring to Part "D" of this session, (The Many Faces Of Pride), which ones can you identify with? (Please circle)
- **B.** For each face of pride you have circled, please answer the following:
  - 1. How have **you** been affected?

2. How has your relationship with **others** been affected?

3. How has your relationship with **the Lord** been affected?

Please be thorough in answering these questions and use additional paper if necessary.

# GOD'S ANTIDOTE FOR THE ARROW OF PRIDE: HUMILITY AND THE FEAR OF THE LORD - <u>AGREE</u> WITH GOD AND MAKE JESUS THE REASON!!!