



# SOUL DETOX

## Soul Detox - Part 3 - Pride

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Pride goes before destruction, and haughtiness before a fall.

– Proverbs 16:18

For everything in the world - the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, **and the pride of life** - comes not from the Father but from the world. - 1 John 2:16

- **Pride - an INFLATED sense of one's personal status or accomplishments.**

But he gives us even more grace to stand against such evil desires.

As the Scriptures say, “God opposes the proud but favors the humble.” – James 4:6

### THREE TYPES OF PRIDE

#### 1) I'M BETTER THAN YOU PRIDE.

Don't speak evil against each other, dear brothers and sisters. If you criticize and judge each other, then you are criticizing and judging God's law. But your job is to obey the law, not to judge whether it applies to you. <sup>12</sup> God alone, who gave the law, is the Judge. He alone has the power to save or to destroy. So what right do you have to judge your neighbor? - James 4:11-12

My dear brothers and sisters, if someone among you wanders away from the truth and is brought back, <sup>20</sup> you can be sure that whoever brings the sinner back from wandering will save that person from death and bring about the forgiveness of many sins.

- James 5:19-20

#### 2) I CAN HANDLE IT MYSELF PRIDE.

Look here, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we are going to a certain town and will stay there a year. We will do business there and make a profit.” <sup>14</sup> How do you know what your life will be like tomorrow? Your life is like the morning fog—it's here a little while, then it's gone. <sup>15</sup> What you ought to say is, “If the Lord wants us to, we will live and do this or that.” <sup>16</sup> Otherwise you are boasting about your own pretentious plans, and all such boasting is evil.

- James 4:13-16

#### 3) IT DOESN'T APPLY TO ME PRIDE.

Remember, it is sin to know what you ought to do and then not to do it. – James 4:17

- **The prouder you are, the further you FALL from God. The closer you are to God, the more HUMBLE you become.**

Come close to God, and God will come close to you... - James 4:8

#### *Memory Verse:*

Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will lift you up in honor. – James 4:10