

## SEQUOIA NOTES

### Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

#### **Pride Goes Before the Fall**

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and haughtiness before a fall.

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#### **Pride is needing to be better than other people.**

Proverbs 11:12 It is foolish to belittle one's neighbor;  
a sensible person keeps quiet.

*"Pride gets no pleasure out of having something, only out of having more of it than the next man. We say that people are proud of being rich, or clever, or good-looking, but they are not. They are proud of being richer, or cleverer, or better-looking than others. If someone else became equally rich, or clever, or good-looking there would be nothing to be proud about. It is the comparison that makes you proud: the pleasure of being above the rest."* C.S. Lewis

#### **Pride is hyper-focused on itself.**

Proverbs 13:10 Pride leads to conflict;  
those who take advice are wise.

#### **Pride leads to disgrace and destruction.**

Proverbs 11:2 Pride leads to disgrace,  
but with humility comes wisdom.

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Proverbs 15:25 The Lord tears down the house of the proud,  
but he protects the property of widows.

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Psalms 138:6 Though the Lord is great, he cares for the humble,  
but he keeps his distance from the proud.

#### **Pride is incompatible with the Kingdom of God.**

**Big Idea: Embrace a life of humility to experience the glory of the Kingdom of Jesus.**

1 Corinthians 4:3-4 (NIV) I care very little if I am judged by you or by any human court; indeed, I do not even judge myself. <sup>4</sup> My conscience is clear, but that does not make me innocent. It is the Lord who judges me.

#### **We can leave the courtroom because Jesus went into it for us.**

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- 4) **Observation:** What "jumps out" in this passage? What interesting details do you observe? Is anything repeated? What questions come up about the passage? What is the major theme in the passage? How do you see the theme of pride and humility in these passages (and throughout Proverbs)?
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- 6) **Application:** How is God speaking to you through this passage? (Take some time for Listening Prayer). How is this passage of Scripture going to change you? What aspect of this teaching do you need to pass on to others?



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