





# PRAYER REQUESTS

**PRAY***for***ME**<sup>tm</sup>  
**CAMPAIGN**

# UPCOMING EVENTS

# OUTSIDE WORSHIP NIGHT

✓ Celebrate

✓ Worship

✓ Testify

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 22**  
**7:00pm to 9:00pm**





**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 9:00-11:00PM**





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## INTRODUCTION: WHAT WAR ARE WE IN?

And God spoke all these words: “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. **“You shall have no other gods before me.” “You shall not make for yourself an image** in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

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**BOOKS      WRITING      SPORTS      GAMES**  
**VIDEOS      TELEVISION      NETFLIX**  
**SCHOOL      FAMILY      FRIENDS      MEDIA**  
**WORK      FOOD      IDENTITY      LOVE**  
**SEX      RELATIONSHIPS      STUDYING**  
**CHURCH      SERVING      SOCIAL ISSUES**  
**FITNESS      PAINTING      MUSIC      COOKING**  
**DANCE      IDOLIZING STARS/ATHLETES**  
**SOCIAL MEDIA      MONEY      MATERIAL POSSESSIONS**

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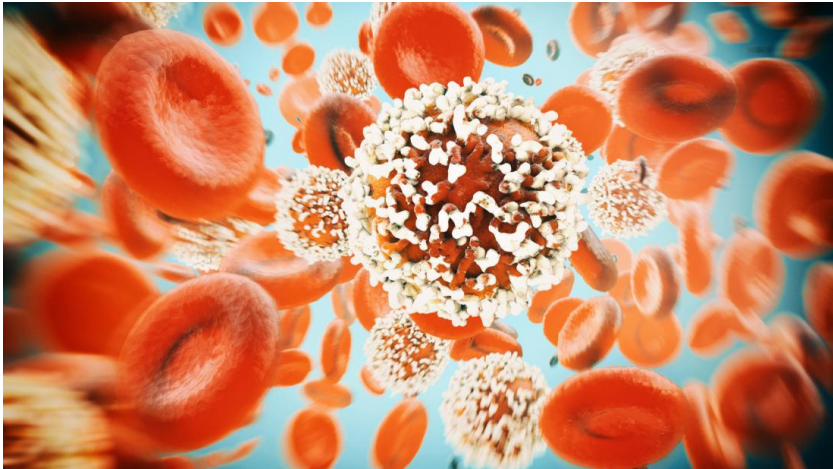




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**WE ARE ONLY AS SICK (COUGH COUGH)**



**AS OUR SECRETS (CANCER)**

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POWER

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**WHEN YOU THINK OF POWER....**

**WHAT COMES TO MIND?**





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# VIDEO: POWER

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## **PRIDE**

**Pride is a deadly sin that can easily go undetected in our lives. A simple pat on our back or a “good job” can slowly evolve into so much more.**

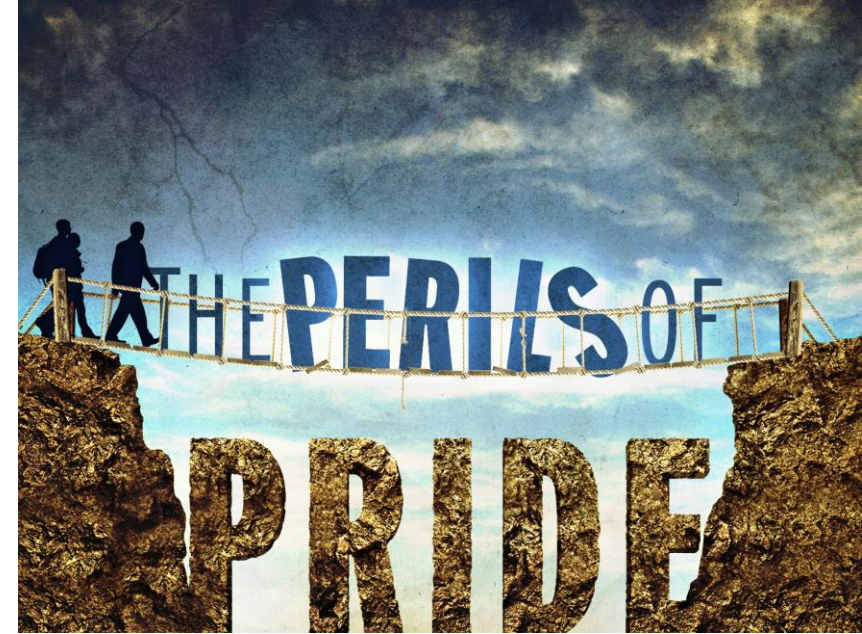
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**PRIDE  
TEARS  
US  
AWAY  
FROM  
GOD**



**THE DANGER  
OF  
SPIRITUAL PRIDE**





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## **PRIDE Danger #1:**

# **Pride Develops an Unrealistic View of Ourselves**

**Romans 12:3, “Don’t think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us.”**

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## **PRIDE Danger #2:**

### **Pride Detaches Us from Community**

**“God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble”  
(James 4:6b ESV)**

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## **PRIDE Danger #3:**

### **Pride Creates a Critical Spirit**

**Sermon on the Mount,**

**“Why do you see the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye.”**

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## **PRIDE Danger #4:**

### **Pride Takes Life into Our Own Hands**

**“Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall”  
(Proverbs 16:18 ESV)**

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## **Our Defense Against Pride: Humility**

**“If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it”  
(Luke 9:23-24 ESV)**

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## **Our Defense Against Pride: Humility**

**“Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you.”**

**(1 Peter 5:6 ESV)**





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## **HOW DO YOU KNOW PRIDE IS AN IDOL?**

- 1. You think you are humble.**
- 2. You do not accept constructive criticisms.**
- 3. You always want to be the center of attention.**
- 4. You are vain about your physical appearance.**
- 5. You do not like associating with the “ordinary” or unpopular.**
- 6. You are fond of name-dropping.**
- 7. You are not teachable.**
- 8. You do not listen to others’ advice.**
- 9. You do not like to be surpassed by anyone.**
- 10. You think you are too important to do mundane things.**
- 11. You are critical to those who do better than you.**

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## **TEST YOUR POWER IDOL: USING BROKENNESS**

- **CAN YOU ADMIT YOU DON'T HAVE IT ALL TOGETHER?**
- **CAN YOU ADMIT WHERE YOU ARE CONFUSED ABOUT LIFE?**
- **CAN YOU ACCEPT DIRECTION EVEN IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT?**
- **WILL YOU ACCEPT GOD'S INSTRUCTIONS ON LIFE?**
- **CAN YOU ACCEPT YOU ARE A SINNER AND NEED A SAVIOUR?**

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