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Pride and Humility

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Proverbs 21:4

Haughty eyes and a proud heart, the lamp of the wicked, are sin.

Proverbs 16:18

Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.

Proverbs 1:7

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Proverbs 9:10

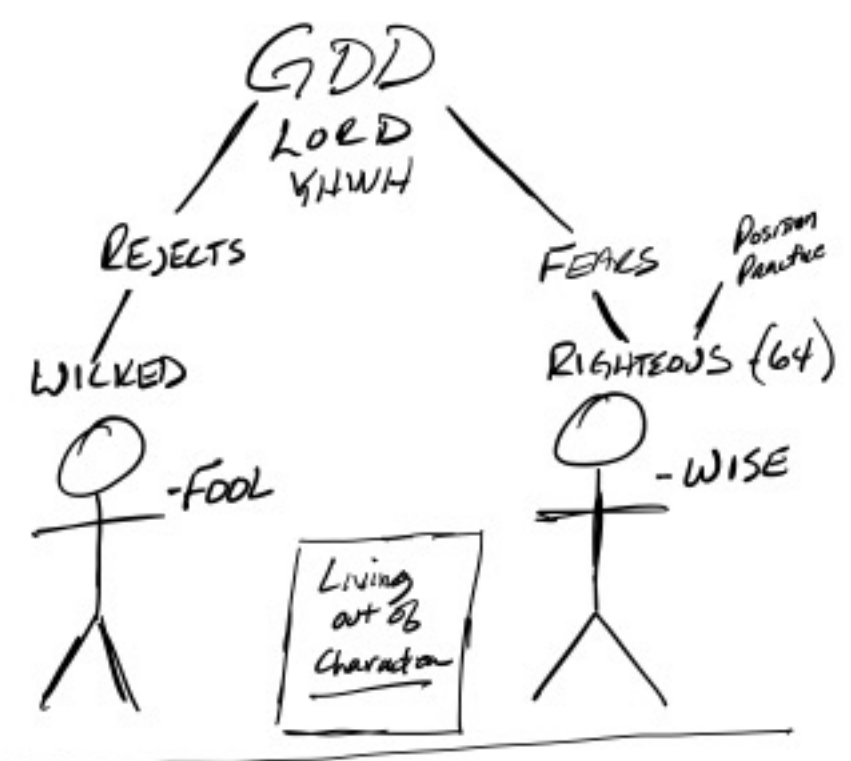
The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

Fear of the Lord

Awe and reverence for my loving Father demonstrated in a life of wisdom.

Wisdom

Embracing God's Word and learning the skills of living out biblical truth in everyday life.



2 Cor 5:21 - For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become righteous of God.

Phil 3:9

HUMILITY DEFINITION

Humility: Living in submission to God.

Philippians 2:3-8

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Proverbs 30:12

There are those who are clean in their own eyes but are not washed of their filth.

Colossians 2:23

These have indeed an appearance of wisdom in promoting self-made religion and asceticism and severity to the body, but they are of no value in stopping the indulgence of the flesh.

PRIDE DEFINITION

Pride: Living independently of God.

Isaiah 14:12-14

“How you are fallen from heaven,

O Day Star, son of Dawn!

How you are cut down to the ground,

you who laid the nations low!

You said in your heart,

‘I will ascend to heaven;

above the stars of God

I will set my throne on high;

I will sit on the mount of assembly

in the far reaches of the north;

I will ascend above the heights of the clouds;

I will make myself like the Most High.”

1. A relationship with God begins with humility.

Proverbs 20:9

Who can say, "I have made my heart pure; I am clean from my sin"?

Ephesians 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Psalms 10:3-4

For the wicked boasts of the desires of his soul, and the one greedy for gain curses and renounces the LORD. In the pride of his face the wicked does not seek him; all his thoughts are, "There is no God."

2. Pride produces chaos. Humility brings peace.

Proverbs 3:7-8

Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD, and turn away from evil. It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones.

Proverbs 8:13

The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil. Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate.

3. Humility is the heart cure for racism and prejudice.

Proverbs 21:24

"Scoffer" is the name of the arrogant, haughty man who acts with arrogant pride.

Proverbs 22:2

The rich and the poor meet together; the LORD is the Maker of them all.

Proverbs 17:5

Whoever mocks the poor insults his Maker...

Proverbs 14:31

Whoever oppresses a poor man insults his Maker, but he who is generous to the needy honors him.

4. Humility is the remedy for self-promotion.

Proverbs 25:6

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

Proverbs 25:14

Like clouds and wind without rain is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

Proverbs 25:27

It is not good to eat much honey, nor is it glorious to seek one's own glory.

5. Pride plays God. Humility trusts God.

Proverbs 27:1

Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring.

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

6. Both humility and pride carry results.

Proverbs 3:34

Toward the scorners he is scornful, but to the humble he gives favor.

Proverbs 11:2

When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with the humble is wisdom.

Proverbs 15:25

The LORD tears down the house of the proud but maintains the widow's boundaries.

Proverbs 16:5

Everyone who is arrogant in heart is an abomination to the LORD; be assured, he will not go unpunished.

Proverbs 16:18-19

Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall. It is better to be of a lowly spirit with the poor than to divide the spoil with the proud.

Proverbs 29:23

One's pride will bring him low, but he who is lowly in spirit will obtain honor.

Proverbs 30:32-33

If you have been foolish, exalting yourself, or if you have been devising evil, put your hand on your mouth. For pressing milk produces curds, pressing the nose produces blood, and pressing anger produces strife.

Developing a Heart of Humility

Read Scripture Daily

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

Psalms 139:23-24

Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

Serve Others

Stretch yourself