

Heart of Hearing: Navigating Pride

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What pride is:

Pride seeks to take ✓ God's place.

Pride longs to feel superior ✓ to others.

The Lord tears down the house of the proud, but He sets the widow's boundary stones in place.

Proverbs 15:25 NIV

Better to be lowly in spirit along with the oppressed than to share plunder with the proud.

Proverbs 16:19 NIV

Whoever derides their neighbour has no sense, but the one who has understanding holds their tongue.

Proverbs 11:12 NIV

An unfriendly person pursues selfish ends and against all sound judgment starts quarrels.

Proverbs 18:1 NIV

What pride does:

Consequence #1: It blows up your relationships ✓ .

Consequence #2: It keeps you from getting help until it's too late ✓ .

Consequence #3: It overpromises and sets you up to fail ✓ .

The way of fools seems right to them, but the wise listen to advice.

Proverbs 12:15 NIV

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

Proverbs 16:18 NIV

Humility is the fear of the Lord; its wages are riches and honour and life.

Proverbs 22:4 NIV

What to do:

Humility is to think rightly about yourself ✓ .

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Which consequence of pride have you experienced the most?
2. In what specific area of your life do you frequently find yourself making comparisons to others?