GROUP DISCUSSION

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BE WISE Chasing Humility Proverbs 21 Pastor Matt Manning matt.manning@crossroadsabc.com



Looking back at your notes from this	Pastor Matt reminded us that we don't exist at the center of a rightly-ordered universe – godly humility has great way of getting us to focus on the right things.
	MY STORY Describe an accomplishment about which you're especially proud. Who played a role in that achievement?
	WHAT DOES GOD WANT US TO HEAR? Every way of a man is right in his own eyes, but the Lord weighs the heart. Haughty eyes and a proud heart, the lamp of the wicked, are sin. Whoever keeps his mouth and his tongue keeps himself out of trouble. All day long [the sluggard] craves and craves, but the righteous gives and does not hold back. (From Proverbs 21)
	In Proverbs 21, what does Solomon say happens to people who, in various ways, view themselves as somehow superior to others?
	Find all the references to <i>pride</i> in Proverbs 21. What's a common theme in all these mentions?

Looking back at your notes from this week's message, was there anything you heard for the first time, stuck with you, challenged or confused you?

What is the one important thing you will take away from this weekend's message or our community group discussion? Is there any challenge, difficulty or praise that you would like to share with the group for prayer?

What are three things Solomon says about pure, righteous, upright people? Why do these three traits require humility in order to even exist in someone's soul?

What does God want us to hear? What are some of the more factual "takeaways" from this passage for you?



WHAT DOES GOD WANT US TO DO?

What are some things culture tells us about how we should view ourselves?

What are some things Christians struggle with when trying to not be proud?

What is the difference between self-debasement and genuine humility?

How does being a follower of Christ, adopted into the Kingdom of God, shape how we view ourselves?

What does God want us to do? What are some hypothetical, but practical, ways to apply this chapter from Proverbs?

WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO DO?

In what area of life are you most tempted to take full credit for its success? In what sense can you sometimes find this type of pride motivating? What are the spiritual dangers here?

How do you see how the hand of God has gotten you to that place of achievement in life?

What will accepting God's invitation into genuine humility look like for you?

What does God want ME to do? What is the personal application and action step God is calling you to take in the coming week?

