

# SERMON STUDY GUIDE

January 25, 2026 | Pastor Josh Desch

## “7 Deadly Sins: Pride”

### Sermon Outline:

1. Why the 7 Deadly Sins? (1 John 2:16)
2. The Sin Behind All Sins (Romans 12:3)
3. The Gospel According to James (James 4:10)

### Questions:

1. Why study the 7 Deadly Sins? What relevance does this list of sins, finalized in 590 AD, have for us today?
2. Do you think pride was the “first sin”? If not pride, what was it?
3. Give your own definition of pride.
4. How is the gospel the antidote to pride?
5. Jesus had every right to be a prideful person, yet he wasn’t. Why not?
6. Where are you a prideful person? Can you admit it to yourself? Can you admit it to someone else? Could you admit it to a group of trusted believers?
7. Pray this prayer in your group: “Dear Lord, as we study these deadly sins, protect me, my family, my Life Group, and my Church family. Change my loves. Give me rightly ordered loves as you work in me by your transforming grace. And where I need to, help me to swallow my pride, and bow the knee in total dependence upon you, trusting that in due time, you will lift me up. Amen.”