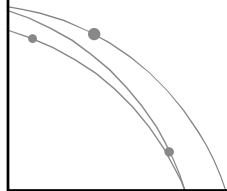


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Isaiah 14:12-15

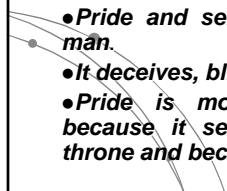
- *Pride and self-glory are the nature of the enemy.*



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Obadiah 1:3-4: “The pride of your heart has deceived you, you who dwell in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high; you who say in your heart, “Who will bring me down to the ground?” Though you ascend as high as the eagle, and though you set your nest among the stars, from there I will bring you down,” says the LORD.”

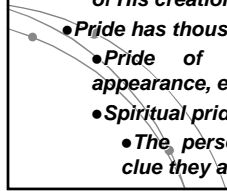
- *Pride and self-glory is the nature of fallen man.*
- *It deceives, blinds and promotes self.*
- *Pride is more damnable than any sin, because it seeks to unseat God from His throne and become a “god”.*



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Pride In All Its Self-Glory:

- *Pride is TREASON against the Creator.*
 - *Until we see pride and self-glory are beyond PARDON, we do not see it as God does.*
- *Pride is a deceptive lie.*
 - *It contends with God for the right and rulership of His creation.*
- *Pride has thousands of faces.*
 - *Pride of race, social position, money, appearance, etc.*
 - *Spiritual pride is the worst!*
 - *The person operating in it doesn't have a clue they are!*



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The Remedy for Pride:

- **Prov. 16:5:** “Everyone proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD; though they join forces, none will go unpunished.”
- **1 Pet. 5:5-7:** “Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for ‘God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.’ Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.”

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The Remedy for Pride:

- *The remedy for sin, including unbelief, is the blood of Jesus.*
- *The remedy for pride is humbling ourselves and living for His glory alone.*
- *The Lord Jesus was sinless, yet He humbled Himself (Phil. 2:8).*
- *We are to follow this same path of the cross.*
- *Just as our lungs were made to breathe, our hearts were made to bow!*

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The Remedy for Pride:

- *If I do not humble myself, I will be abased, but even then self-glorying can continue unless I've learned to VOLUNTARILY do it!*
- *The Lord will allow anything and everything in to teach me to bow.*
- *But this is NOT His perfect will!*
- *His perfect will comes when I choose to live for His glory, voluntarily mortifying self-glorying.*

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The Remedy for Pride:

- *We are allowed a “measure” of self-glorying in our weakness and immaturity.*
 - *But for FULLNESS to come, there is no room for pride and self-glorying.*
- *He can, and will allow anything, including “messengers from satan” to buffet us, and keep us from being exalted “above measure” (2 Cor. 12).*
 - *We know we are still in the “measure” because we blame others, the devil, circumstances, etc, instead of humbling ourselves under His mighty hand.*

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The Remedy for Pride:

- *Why has Abba, in His wisdom, allowed that which He could have kept from us by His power?*
 - *The worst judgment that can happen to us is for Him to leave us as we are!*

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Psalm 119:67-71: *“Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep Your word. You are good, and do good; teach me Your statutes. The proud have forged a lie against me, but I will keep Your precepts with my whole heart. Their heart is as fat as grease, but I delight in Your law. It is good for me that I have been afflicted, that I may learn Your statutes.”*

- *First, true self-humbling takes place under His “mighty hand”, meaning He engineers the time and place.*
- *Secondly, I do not humble myself TO man; I humble myself TO God, but BEFORE men.*

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Psalm 119:67-71

- *What does this humility look like?*
 - *Open apology and repentance.*
 - *Openly worshipping the Lord.*
 - *Honoring those to whom honor is due.*
 - *Recognizing and promoting others in due time.*
- *When this becomes a way of life, it becomes a continual display of His glory, nature and power.*

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Not I, But Christ.

- **STOP!** *“Why am I saying this?” “Why am I doing this?”*
 - *WHAT I do does not count with God...WHY I do it is what matters!*
 - *True humility works from the inside to change my ATTIRE and HABITS to glorify Him.*
 - *I will look, talk and love differently.*
- **What are we bowing to?**
 - *Tradition? Culture? Other’s opinions?*
