

GRACE WINS!

Over Pride

Proverbs 6:16-19

“When God is neglected, the runner-up god takes his place, namely man. And that, by definition, is the opposite of humility, namely, the haughty spirit called pride.” John Piper

“A proud man is always looking down on things and people: and , of course, as long as you are looking down, you cannot see something that is above you.” C. S. Lewis

“Pride is turning away from God specifically to take satisfaction in self.” Piper

The Allies of Pride

Jeremiah 9:23

Wisdom, Strength, Wealth

Wisdom’s Trap

Rom. 8:1-3

What we know, or think we know, can lure us away from resting in God’s wisdom and lead us toward boasting in our own.

Rom. 1:26-31

The Stronghold of Strength

Deuteronomy 8:11-17

When God blesses us, pride leaps to take the credit for the gift and fails to acknowledge the giver.

When you live by faith, you recognize that all the products of your living are the result of grace.

Prideful Profiles

King of Assyria - Isa. 10:12-19

Nebuchadnezzar - Dan. 4:28-37

The Dangers of Wealth

Hosea 13:6

Jer. 49:4

In this and every culture, wealth is the great symbol of self-sufficiency.

A Subtle Atheism

Psalm 10:4

Ultimately, the prideful heart must convince itself that there is no God.

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Jeremiah 9:23-24

1 Cor. 1:26-31

Focus on the source of our wisdom.

1 Cor. 13:1-3, 8-13

Focus on the source of our strength.

Zechariah 4:6

Phil. 4:13

Focus on the source of our wealth.

Phil. 4:19

James 1:17

“When all is said and done, this is the rock-bottom biblical answer to the question of how to best fight pride. Be stunned and satisfied that we know God – and that He knows us.” Piper