Put Pride to Death Ezekiel 31:1-32:32

Main Point:

Put pride to death before it puts you (and others) to death.

1. Pride may have its reasons.

2. Pride certainly has its dangers.

3. Pride must always be put to death.

John Owen "Be killing sin, or sin will be killing you."

Derek Thomas "The pride of nationhood in which Egypt reveled ... [knew] no bounds."

lain Duguid "Her greatness surpassed earthly proportions; not even the trees of the jewel of original creation ... could match Egypt's beauty."

lain Duguid "It was the Lord who had raised Egypt to her elevated status ..., but she considered her attainments something of which to be proud ..."

Proverbs 16:18 18 Pride *goes* before destruction, And a haughty spirit before a fall. (NKJV)

John Gill "[The uncircumcised were those] who belong not to God, or his people, and have no communion with either, but are shut out of the kingdom of heaven, and have their portion with devils and damned spirits."

Isaiah 2:12-17 12 For the day of the LORD of hosts *Shall come* upon everything proud and lofty, Upon everything lifted up— And it shall be brought low— 13 Upon all the cedars of Lebanon *that are* high and lifted up, And upon all the oaks of Bashan ... 17 The loftiness of man shall be bowed down, And the haughtiness of men shall be brought low ... (NKJV)

Matthew Henry "A great deal of disquiet is often given to the world by the restless ambition and implacable resentments of proud princes."

Matthew Henry "The falls of others, both into sin and ruin, are intended as admonitions to us not to be secure or high-minded, nor to think we stand out of danger."

1 Corinthians 4:7 7 ... What do you have that you did not receive? Now if you did indeed receive *it*, why do you boast as if you had not received *it*? (NKJV)

Philippians 2:3 3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. (ESV)

Matthew Henry "It becomes us to weep and tremble for those that will not weep and tremble for themselves."