

Life Group Discussion Guide
Proverbs: Wisdom for Life
The Foolishness of Pride
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Proverbs 16:16-20(CSB)

Main Thought: A prideful heart is contrary to the pursuit of wisdom.

Sunday Outline:

The Foolishness of Pride.

- A false view of our hearts.
- We live to please ourselves.

The Wisdom of Humility.

- A true view of our hearts.
- We live to honor God.

Welcome & Fellowship Time (Suggested Time 10 Minutes)

Open in Prayer

Week in Review: (Suggested Sharing Time 10 minutes)

 Pastor Jeff talked about trusting God in the storm. Where have you found calm in your storm over the last week? Share how you have sought to trust God more over the last week with the storms of your life.

<u>Discussion Starter:</u> (Suggested Time 5 minutes)

- Can you share with the group an event or situation where your pride led you to something foolish?
- What has been something you have loved to brag about?

<u>Sermon Review:</u> (Suggested Time 10 minutes)

- The Proverbs give us pride and humility as contrasts in how we are to live. Discuss with each other how you have battled pride in your life in the past or present. How have you seen pride become destructive in your life?
- Give some examples of how pride can lead you to ruin and heartache in your life.



• We are called to humbly look to God and his Word for wisdom. What are some practical ways we can do that in our daily lives?

Digging Deeper: (Suggested Time 25 minutes)

As we look at humility and pride this week. Compare and contrast the four men listed below and discuss how pride led to destruction and what you learn about the meaning of humility from the other two.

Pride

Uzziah- 2 Chronicles 26:16-18
 Herod- Acts 12:21-23

Humility

- David- 2 Samuel 7:18-21
 Paul 1 Timothy 1:15-16
- What do you think a person can do to grow free from pride?

<u>Application:</u> (Suggested Time 10 minutes)

- Do you see signs of pride in your life, maybe it is a focus on how important or valued you are, on how you look or what people think? Talk with god this week and write down thoughts He might reveal to you.
- Where do you find yourself resisting a humble spirit? How can you, through God's wisdom, submit yourself to His authority this week?
- This week how will you apply the wisdom of God's Word in Proverbs on Pride to your daily life? Seek out someone to hold you accountable, as you are encouraged by God to move from a heart of pride to a heart of humility.

<u>Group Prayer Requests:</u> (Suggested Time 10 minutes)

Spend time praying for each other & praying for application of the study in the lives of the group members. (Suggested time 10 minutes)