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the DARKNESS
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PRIDE



Pride is a preoccupation with ourselves.



Shame ← **Pride** → **Arrogance**



Shame is thinking too lowly of ourselves.



Arrogance is thinking too highly of ourselves.



Why must pride be dealt with?



**PRIDE IS A
DESPISED SIN**



Proverbs 6:16-19 (NKJV)

¹⁶ These six things the Lord hates, yes, seven are an abomination to Him: ¹⁷ **A proud look,** a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, ¹⁸ a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that are swift in running to evil, ¹⁹ a false witness who speaks lies, and one who sows discord among brethren.



Proverbs 8:13 (NIVUK)

¹³ To fear the Lord is to hate evil; I hate pride and arrogance, evil behaviour and perverse speech.



Proverbs 16:5 (NIVUK)

⁵ The Lord detests all the proud of heart.
Be sure of this: they will not go unpunished.



Isaiah 14:12-15 (NIVUK)

¹² How you have fallen from heaven, morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! ¹³ You said in your heart, 'I will ascend to the heavens; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of Mount Zaphon.



Isaiah 14:12-15 (NIVUK)

¹⁴ I will ascend above the tops of the clouds;
I will make myself like the Most High. ¹⁵ But
you are brought down to the realm of the
dead, to the depths of the pit.



Genesis 3:4-5 (NIVUK)

⁴ 'You will not certainly die,' the snake said to the woman. ⁵ 'For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.'



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Proverbs 16:18 (NKJV)

¹⁸ Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.



Proverbs 18:12 (NIVUK)

¹² Before a downfall the heart is haughty,
but **humility** comes before honour.



Proverbs 29:23 (NKJV)

²³ A man's pride will bring him low, but the **humble** in spirit will retain honor.



Humility is thinking of yourself less.



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Obadiah 1:3 (NKJV)

³ 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?'



Proverbs 11:2 (NKJV)

² When pride comes, then comes shame;
but with the **humble** is wisdom.



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James 4:6 (NIVUK)

⁶ ...'God opposes the proud but shows favour to the **humble**.'



James 4:10 (NIVUK)

¹⁰ Humble yourselves before the Lord, and
he will lift you up.



Hebrews 12:5-6 (NIVUK)

⁵ ...'My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, ⁶ because **the Lord disciplines the one he loves**, and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son.'



Philippians 2:5-8 (NIVUK)

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:
⁶ who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;



Philippians 2:5-8 (NIVUK)

⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, **he humbled himself** by becoming obedient to death – even death on a cross!



Romans 6:23 (NIVUK)

²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.



John 3:16 (NIVUK)

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.



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