

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE
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FACES OF PRIDE #'S 7-9

As we continue the series Teflon & Velcro, we will explore a few more areas God desires humility to overtake and replace pride in our lives.

#7 EXCESSIVE TALKING

When it comes to WPD (Words Per Day) there are obvious differences between men & women along with introverts & extroverts, yet pride can often show it's face where words are many & often.

Q? How do you think excessive talking can be a form of pride?

"Although not always detectable outwardly, there is a difference between waiting to speak and listening"

Q? What does this mean? AND - What role does humility play in moving us from someone "waiting to speak" into "someone truly listening?" Discuss:

Read Aloud- Proverbs 10:19 (CSB) *When there are many words, sin is unavoidable, but the one who controls his lips is prudent.*

The New Living Translation gives a little punch to the same passage:
Proverbs 10:19 (NLT) Too much talk leads to sin. Be sensible and keep your mouth shut.

Q? How do you think talking too much lead to sin? - Can you relate! :)

Read James 3:1-12 Aloud in your group.....

Q? What impacts you the most in this passage?

#8 TALKING TOO MUCH ABOUT YOURSELF

Although it is good for us to share our wins, struggles, experiences, thoughts & ideas, pride can cause us to be so self centered that we don't really care to know or see things from another persons perspective.

Proverbs 27:1-2 *Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring. Let another praise you, and not your own mouth; a stranger, and not your own lips.*

Q? Where is the line between setting goals & dreaming about the future,
-OR- sharing testimony of Gods goodness in our lives -VS- pride & self exaltation? Discuss:

Q? What are some spiritual disciplines or practical people skills we can develop to move our focus off of self & onto others? #9 SEEKING CONTROL & INDEPENDENCE

Read Matthew 8:5-10 Aloud in your group.....

Notice that Jesus (The God Man) marveled at the faith of this centurion.

Q? What can we learn from this man about the subject & place

“authority” should have in our lives?Ephesians 5:21 submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Q? What does it mean to “submit to one another as brothers fellow believers”? Discuss:

Q? How does “reverencing Christ” play into our motivation in submitting one to another?

Close your group by praying about & confessing any of these forms of pride that may be present in our lives.
