

The root of almost every underlying issue or problem in our lives is PRIDE!

2 Samuel 22:28 NLT

You rescue the humble, but your eyes watch the proud and humiliate them.

Proverbs 16:5 NIV

The LORD detests all the proud of heart. Be sure of this: They will not go unpunished.

James 4:6 NIV

But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."

**Pride triggers God's opposition, but Humility invites God's blessing!**

Matthew 23:12 NIV

For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.

Humility is not thinking less of yourself, but thinking of yourself less!

Pride always causes us to come up short!

### **3 areas pride causes us to come up short:**

Pride never makes you bigger, and always leaves you smaller!

Proverbs 29:23 NIV

Pride brings a person low, but the lowly in spirit gain honor.

Pride blinds you to your own faults!

Proverbs 26:12 NIV

Do you see a person wise in their own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than for them.

Pride pushes God out!

Psalms 10:4 NIV

In his pride the wicked man does not seek him; in all his thoughts there is no room for God.

Questions to reveal your pride:

Who or what are you most critical of?

When was the last time you felt snubbed or insulted?

Who do you secretly envy or want to see fail?

When are you the most tempted to lie or "embellish"?

What won't you ask for help with?

What or who do you desperately want to control?

Where or when do you hide who you really are?