

Week 3
Bulletin Study Questions

1. Read Proverbs 3:34, Daniel 5: 18-21, Luke 18: 9-14. The consequence of pride or arrogance is not merely that we appear snobby. Rather, pride is so detrimental to us that it is known as one of the seven deadly sins. Describe how pride prevents us from seeing ourselves as we truly are and both corrupts and deforms us.
2. Reread Luke 18: 9-14. In the message we learned that pride blinds us to inappropriate self love. Pride also feeds on and corrupts our good qualities. For example, courage becomes risk-taking, generosity turns into manipulation of others. Explain how you see these principles at work in the verses and in the world today.
3. When have you been like the Pharisee in the story? Like the tax collector? What accounts for the difference?
4. Below is a list of some modern-day symptoms of pride. Describe how pride is the cause of each symptom: anger, critical spirit, taking responsibility for success, stubbornness, inconsistent prayer life.
5. Read Romans 1:18-32, Ephesians 4: 17-24, I John 3:1. Explain how the gospel reveals the futility of this age.
6. Read John 3:16, Romans 5:6-8, Romans 8:35-39. Explain how the gospel reveals the expanse of God's love.
7. Read John 13: 12-15, Romans 12: 1-8. Explain how the gospel empowers us to live a different way.
8. Ask God to show you the possibilities he has planned for you.