

Pride

Is it for Christians?





Proverbs 16:18 (KJV) — 18 **Pride goeth before
destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.**

Proverbs 6:16–17 (KJV) — 16 These six things
doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an
abomination unto him: 17 A proud look, a lying
tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,

Proverbs 16:5 (KJV) — 5 Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished.

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Inordinate self-esteem; an unreasonable conceit of one's own superiority in talents, beauty, wealth, accomplishments, rank or elevation in office, which manifests itself in lofty airs, distance, reserve, and often in contempt of others.

(Noah Webster 1828 Dictionary)

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a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's own achievements, the achievements of those with whom one is closely associated, or from qualities or possessions that are widely admired: the team was bursting with pride after recording a sensational victory | he takes great pride in his appearance. (*Oxford Dictionary of English*)

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Pride refers to an unwarranted attitude of confidence.

While pride can have a positive connotation of self-worth or boasting, it is often used in Scripture to refer to an unhealthy elevated view of one's self, abilities, or possessions. (*Lexham Theological Wordbook*)

Isaiah 13:11 (KJV) — 11 And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

**Psalm 12:3 (KJV) — 3 The LORD shall cut off
all flattering lips, and the tongue that speaketh
proud things:**

Malachi 4:1 (KJV) — 1 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

James 4:6 (KJV) — 6 But he giveth more grace.
Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but
giveth grace unto the humble.

Isaiah 14:12–14 (KJV) — 12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! 13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

Self-will and pride are evils that turned angels into demons and barred the gates of heaven against them.

(The Health Reformer, November 1, 1878, par. 5)

1 Timothy 3:6 (KJV) — 6 Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil.



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John 3:16 (KJV) — 16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Mark 15:34 (KJV) — 34 . . . My God, my God,
why hast thou forsaken me?

Luke 9:23 (KJV) — 23 And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him **deny himself, and take up his cross daily,** and follow me.

1 John 2:16 (KJV) — 16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

God cannot connect with those who live to please themselves, to make themselves first. Those who do this will in the end be last of all. **The sin that is most nearly hopeless and incurable is pride of opinion, self-conceit.** This stands in the way of all growth. When a man has defects of character, yet fails of realizing this; when he is so imbued with self-sufficiency that he cannot see his fault, how can he be cleansed? “They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.”

Matthew 9:12. How can one improve when he thinks his ways perfect? (*Testimonies for the Church*, vol. 7, p. 199.5)

Philippians 2:5–7 (KJV) — 5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: 6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: 7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

Philippians 2:8–10 (KJV) — 8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. 9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: 10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

1 Corinthians 6:3 (KJV) — 3 Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?

Job 35:12 (KJV) — 12 There they cry, but none giveth answer, because of the pride of evil men.

Galatians 6:14 (KJV) — 14 But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

