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RELATIONSHIPS Ruined by Sin, Restored by Grace

Lesson One • 1 Peter 5:5-7

Ruined by Pride

Why This Series?

We all have relationships and sin **RUINS** those relationships, but God can **RESTORE** those relationships through the power of His grace.

Relationships Ruined and Restored

Relationships are ruined when you become **FULL** of yourself, but are restored when you **HUMBLE** yourself.

Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you. 1 Peter 5:5-7

Ruined by Pride, Restored in Humility

1. Pride Invites the **OPPOSITION** of God!

Why Does God Hate Pride?

Pride contends with God for **SUPREMACY** due to a superior view of self and an inferior view of God.

The Danger of Pride

Pride is the **ROOT** cause of ruined relationships.

Two Conflict-Creating Kinds of Pride

- Selfish ambition says, "It's all about **ME**" (Phil. 2:3).
- Vain conceit believes, "I'm always **RIGHT**" (Phil. 2:3).

2. Humility Invites the **GRACE** of God!

Why Does God Honor Humility?

Humility celebrates **DEPENDENCY** on God due to a proper view of both self and God.

The Promise of Humility

God gives His grace to the humble, the **POWER** to live life and do relationships according to God's plan.

3. Clothe Yourself with **HUMILITY** Toward Others!

Two Incentives for Clothing Yourself with Humility

- God will use His mighty hand to **EXALT** the humble.
- God will use His mighty hand to **CARE** for the humble.

Steps for Dealing with Pride

Step 1: Admit you have a **PRIDE** issue.

Step 2: Ask God to **FORGIVE** you for the sin of pride.

Step 3: Put on **DAILY** the Christlike garment of humility.