

# Brokenness vs. Pride

<b>Proud, Unbroken People</b>	<b>Broken People</b>
Focus on the failure of others	Are overwhelmed with their own spiritual need
Are self-righteous; have a critical, fault finding spirit; looks at own life/faults with a telescope	Are compassionate; have a forgiving spirit; look for the best in others
Look down on others	Esteem all others better than self
Are independent, have a self-sufficient spirit	Have dependent spirit, recognize other's needs
Maintain control; must have their own way	Surrender control
Have to prove they are right	Are willing to yield the right to be right
Claim rights	Yield rights
Have a demanding spirit	Have a giving spirit
Are self-protective of time, rights, reputation	Are self-denying
Desire to be served	Motivated to serve others
Desire to be a success	Desire to be faithful to make others a success
Desire for self advancement	Desire to promote others
Are driving to be recognized and appreciated	Are thrilled to be used at all; eager for others to get the credit
Are wounded when others are promoted and they are overlooked	Rejoice when others are lifted up
Think "the ministry is privileged to have me"	Think "I don't deserve to serve in this ministry"
Think of what they can do for God	Know that they have nothing to offer God
Feel confident in how much they know	Are humbled by how much they have to learn
Are self-conscious	Have no concern with self at all
Keep people at arm's length	Risk getting close to others; are willing to take the risks of loving intimately
Are quick to blame others	Accept personal responsibility; can see when they are wrong
Are unapproachable	Are easy to be entreated
Are defensive when criticized	Receive criticism with a humble, open heart
Are concerned with being respectable	Are concerned with being real
Are concerned about what others think	Know all that matters is what God knows
Work to maintain image and protect reputation	Die to own reputation
Find it difficult to share their spiritual needs with others	Are willing to be transparent with others
Want to be sure no one finds out about their sin	Are willing to be exposed; know once broken, there's nothing to lose
Have a hard time saying, "I was wrong. Would you forgive me?"	Are quick to admit fault and seek forgiveness
Deal in generalities when confessing sin	Deal in specifics
Are concerned about the consequences of their sin	Are grieved over the root of their sin
Are remorseful for being caught	Are repentant over sin and forsake it
Wait for the other party to come and ask forgiveness in a conflict	Take the initiative to be reconciled; gets there first
Compare themselves and feel deserving of honor	Compare themselves with the holiness of God and feel desperate for mercy
Are blind to their true heart condition	Walk in the light
Don't think they have anything of which to repent	Have a continual heart attitude toward repentance
Don't think they need revival (everybody else does)	Continually sense their need for fresh encounter with the filling of the Holy Spirit

