

“Love is Not Proud”

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Philippians 2:3-8

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Introduction:

- A. Humility is not a _____ to be played, but is an aspect of _____ and life we need to learn.
- B. Today we want to explore the relationship between _____ and _____.

I. What the Bible Say about a Love that is Humble

- A. 1 Corinthians 13:4b, “Love...does not _____, it is not _____.”
- B. Basic biblical principle: “God opposes the _____, but gives grace to the _____” (Pr. 3:34; James 4:6; 1 Pet. 5:5).
- C. Humility is an important _____ of a godly person (Eph. 4:2; Col. 3:12).
- D. Jesus is _____ (Mt. 11:29; Phil. 2:5-8; Jn. 13).

II. How Pride Destroys Relationships

- A. Pride harms relationships when someone demands the center of _____.
- B. Relationships are harmed through prideful _____.
 - 1. Do I _____ conversation?
 - 2. Do I spend most of my time talking about _____?
 - 3. Do I _____ others a lot?
- C. Relationships are harmed when pride reveals itself in _____ and _____.
 - 1. Do I refuse to admit that I am _____?
 - 2. Do I refuse to admit that I need _____?

III. How to Cultivate a Love that is Humble

- A. Rightly _____ yourself (Rom. 12:3).
 - 1. The right view includes our great _____ in God’s eyes, and the understanding that we would be _____ without _____.
- B. Rightly _____ others (Phil. 2:3-4).
 - 1. Humble love is sensitive to what _____ are most helpful to others.

Conclusion: Some things to work on...

- A. Work on thinking rightly about _____.
- B. Work on thinking rightly about _____.
- C. Consider how you can put the _____ of others _____ of your own.

Answer Key: Intro.A. game, love. B. love, humility. I.A. boast, proud. I.B. proud, humble. I.C. characteristic. I.D. humble. II.A. attention. II.B. speech. II.B.1. dominate. II.B.2. myself. II.B.3. criticize. II.C. defensiveness, stubbornness. II.C.1. wrong. II.C.2. help. III.A. value. III.A.1. value, nothing, God. III.B. value. III.B.1. actions. Concl.A. yourself. B. others. C. needs, ahead.