

*The fear of The Lord is to hate evil: pride and arrogancy, and the evil way,
and the forward mouth....do I hate. Proverbs 8 v 13.*

PRIDE, LUST, JEALOUSY, ENVY, GLUTTONY, GREED, ANGER.

What does God's Word say

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PRIDE:	Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall. A man's pride shall bring him low.	Proverbs 16 v18. Proverbs 29 v23.
LUST:	When lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin; and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.	James 1 v 15.
JEALOUSY:	Jealousy is cruel as the grave: the coals thereof are coals of fire which hath a most vehement flame.	Songs of Solomon 8 v 6.
ENVY:	A sound heart is the life of the flesh: but envy the rottenness of the bones.	Proverbs 14 v 30.
GLUTTONY:	The drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty.	Proverbs 23 v 21.
GREED:	He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house	Proverbs 15v 27
ANGER:	Wrath is cruel, and anger is outrageous,..... Cease from anger, and forsake wrath.	Proverbs 27 v 4. Psalm 37 v 8.

God in His Word warns against Pride, Lust, Jealousy, Envy, Gluttony, Greed, Anger.

The Scriptures already referred to sum up each of these 'vices' but in this leaflet we will consider in more detail what God says about

PRIDE

All around us we can acknowledge – Pride is a big, big problem in Society. Some people are so proud, so arrogant, so self-sufficient, so self-centred, so 'puffed up' in their own importance. Forever social-climbing, so busy trying to create an impression, they don't see their need of God. They are so blinded by the pride of life, pride in self, pride of riches and possessions - they don't see themselves as sinners in need of The Saviour - that is a very sad state of affairs.

God says, This their way is their folly. Psalm 49 v 13.

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou are wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked. Revelation 3 v 17

**Hear this, all ye people, give ear, all ye inhabitants of the world, both low, an high, rich and poor together.They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches; none of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give God a ransom for him, (for the redemption of their soul is precious, and it ceaseth for ever:) that he should still live for ever, and not see corruption. For he seeth that wise men die, likewise the fool and brutish person perish, and leave their wealth to others. Their inward thought is, that their houses shall continue for ever, and their dwelling places to all generations; They call their lands, (their houses and their cars) after their own names. Nevertheless man being in honour abideth not; he is like the beasts that perish. This their way is their folly; yet their posterity approve their sayings.....
Psalm 49**

The wicked in his Pride doth persecute the poor. Psalm 10 v 2.

The wicked, through the pride of his countenance will not seek after GOD. God is not in all his thoughts. Psalm 10 v 4

The fear of The Lord is to hate evil, pride and arrogancy. Proverbs. 8 v 13

When pride cometh, then cometh shame. Proverbs 11 v 2.

Only by pride cometh contention. Proverbs 13 v 10.

**Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.
Proverbs 16 v 18.**

A man's pride shall bring him low. Proverbs 29 v 23.

1 John 2 v 15-17. Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of The Father is not in him. 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. The world passeth away and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

Luke 10 v 23-25. Jesus said, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the Kingdom of God..... how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the Kingdom of God. It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the Kingdom of God.

‘How hard it is for those who trust in riches to enter into ‘The Kingdom of God.’ This statement should not be misunderstood. There are lots of rich people whose trust is not in their wealth but whose faith and trust is firmly in Jesus Christ. Neither are they ‘Scrogges’ with their wealth, but rather they give generously for the furtherance of The Lord’s Work. For this reason these people are blessed and prosper in all their ways. *What is your trust in today?* Our Trust should *only* be in Jesus Christ and Him Alone. When Jesus is first in our lives, then everything else falls into place.

Matthew 6 v 33. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.

Matthew 6v19-12 Lay not up for yourselves treasure upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal; But lay up for yourselves treasure in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through nor steal For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Proverbs 6 v 16 These six things doth The Lord hate; yea, seven are an abomination unto Him. A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood. An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief. A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethern.

Proverbs 15 v 25 The Lord will destroy the house of the proud.

Proverbs 16 v 5 Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to The Lord..

Proverbs 16 v19 Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.

Proverbs 21v 4. A high look and a proud heart..... IS SIN.

Psalm 40 v 4 Blessed is that man that maketh The Lord his trust, and respecteth not the proud.....

Psalm 138 v 6 Though The Lord be high, yet hath He respect unto the lowly, but the proud He knoweth afar off.

Isaiah 13 v 11 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.

Jeremiah 13 v 15 Hear ye, and give ear, be not proud...for The Lord hath spoken.

Jeremiah 50 v 31 Behold, I am against thee, O thou most proud, saith The Lord of hosts. For thy day is come, the time that I will visit thee. And the most proud shall stumble and fall and none shall raise him up.

Malachi 4 v 1 For behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven, and all the proud, 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!!

2Timothy 3 v 1 This know also, that in the last days, perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud High-minded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof; from such turn away.

James 4 v 6 God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

James 4 v10. Humble yourselves in the sight of The Lord and he shall lift you up.

Need we say more ?? If you have pride in your heart. Take heed. God hates pride. It is a sin which He will not tolerate. Humble yourself before God – before he humbles you.

Every day tragedies and disasters are happening across the world, yet men and women carry on regardless, eating, drinking, spending outrageously, - making merry as if God didn't exist. While poor people all over the world are living in poverty and starvation, many proud, rich men and women flaunt their wealth and couldn't care less. We must thank and praise God for the many rich people *who know their Lord* and have compassionate hearts. God is *first* in their lives *not* their wealth.

If you know in your heart that you are proud and arrogant, *Will you heed the warning and turn in sincere repentance to The Lord and ask His forgiveness? Will you humble yourself to God before He has to humble you? If you desire to come to The Lord, here is a very short prayer for your guidance – you can add your own words:*

**Dear Lord Jesus, I acknowledge I am a sinner. This day I humble myself before you in true genuine repentance. I am so sorry for all my pride, will you please forgive me? I ask you sincerely to come into my life, to save me and help me to be the humble person you want me to be. I thank you for shedding your precious blood at Calvary so that I could come in repentance to you. I accept your salvation and ask your help to lead a new life following in YOUR ways from this moment on.
Thank You Lord Jesus. Amen.**