

# **The Arrow of Pride**



**Eph. 6:16**

**The Meaning of Pride:** High opinion of one's own self or superiority: conceit: arrogance. To think that you are too good to admit that you are so bad.

# What is God's Attitude toward Pride?

*Psalm 138:6; "Though the Lord is on high, yet He regards the lowly; But the proud He knows from afar."*

*Proverbs 6:16; "These six things the Lord hates, yes seven are an abomination to Him: A proud look..."*

*Proverbs 8:13; "The fear of the Lord is to hate evil; Pride and arrogance and the evil way and the perverse mouth I hate."*

Proverbs 16:5; *“Everyone who is proud in heart is an abomination to the Lord;”*

18: *“Pride goes before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall.”*

James 4:6; *“But He give more grace. Therefore He says; God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.”*

I Peter 5:5; *“God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.”*

## Luke 18:9-14

- 1) Pride refuses to admit its need:
- 2) Pride won't admit it can't meet its own need: v. 11

- 3) Pride is more concerned with what men think rather than what God knows: v.11
- 4) Pride always sees the faults of other and has difficulties admitting wrong: v.11-12

- 5) Pride is always right
- 6) Pride is dogmatic, unteachable, close-minded: v.10-12 “Pharisee”
- 7) Pride says that none of this is me and I’m not confessing to anything.

# What is God's Attitude toward the Humble?

*Isaiah 57:15; "For thus says the High and Lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: I dwell in the high and holy place, with him who has a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble and to revive the heart of the contrite ones."*

*Matthew 18:4; "Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven."*



James 4:6; *“But gives grace to the humble.”*

1 Peter 5:5-6; *“God resists the proud; but gives grace to the humble. Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time.”*