# Choosing Humility Over Pride



Explore wisdom in Proverbs 15:33 by embracing humility. Learn to overcome pride with God's guidance and grow in spiritual strength.





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#### Introduction

Welcome to this transformative three-day Bible study on choosing humility over pride. In a world that often values self-promotion and personal success, the virtue of humility can easily be overlooked. Yet, the Bible consistently calls us to a life marked by humility, showing us that true wisdom, honor, and strength come from a humble heart.

Proverbs 15:33 reminds us: "Wisdom's instruction is to fear the Lord, and humility comes before honor." This verse encapsulates a profound truth—humility is the pathway to honor and divine wisdom. When we choose humility, we position ourselves to receive God's guidance and favor, which pride can hinder. This study invites you to reflect deeply on how humility transforms our relationship with God and others.

Over the next three days, we will explore Scripture passages that illuminate the importance of humility, contrast it with the dangers of pride, and offer practical ways to cultivate a humble spirit in our daily lives. Each day includes thoughtful questions and journaling prompts to help you apply these truths in a personal way.

As you commit to this journey, may you experience God's grace working within you, molding your heart to reflect His humble love. Let us start by opening our hearts and minds to the Word, ready to walk a path that leads not just to honor, but to lasting spiritual peace.  $\triangle$ 









# Day 1: **B** The Value of Humility









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#### Your Verse

Proverbs 15:33 – "Wisdom's instruction is to fear the Lord, and humility comes before honor."

## **Supporting Scriptures**

- James 4:6 "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."
- Philippians 2:3 "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves."







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## Devotional: Humility is the Path to True Honor

Humility is the foundation of a life pleasing to God. Proverbs 15:33 tells us that humility precedes honor, which invites us to consider how God values a heart that esteems Him and others above self. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and being humble opens the door for that wisdom to take root in our lives.

Pride often sets up barriers between us and God, leading to self-reliance rather than trust in His guidance. But humility breaks down those walls. It acknowledges our need for God's direction and power, fostering a teachable spirit that grows in grace.

When we choose humility, we demonstrate a deep respect for God's wisdom and for those around us. It leads to peace, reconciliation, and God's favor. This choice shapes our identity and relationships, proving that true honor is not self-made but comes from God.

Today, reflect on the ways pride may have subtly crept into your heart and consider how humility can transform your relationships and spiritual walk.







Day 1: **//** The Value of Humility

# Reflect and Apply

1.	In what areas of your life do you find pride hardest to overcome?
2.	How does the fear of the Lord help cultivate humility in your heart?
	What might changing your attitude to value others above yourself look like practically?
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# **Journaling Prompts**

	Write about a recent situation where humility changed the outcome for the better.
2.	List ways you can humbly honor God and others this week.
3.	Reflect on what 'fear of the Lord' means in your daily life.







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# Prayer for Today

**Lord, help me to embrace humility each day.** Teach me to fear You rightly, knowing that this is the beginning of wisdom. Open my heart to recognize pride when it rises, and give me the strength to choose humility instead. May I honor You and those around me by valuing others above myself. Shape me into a person who reflects Your grace and wisdom through a humble spirit. In Jesus' name, Amen.

















#### Your Verse

Proverbs 16:18 - "Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Isaiah 2:11 "The eyes of the arrogant will be humbled and human pride brought low; the Lord alone will be exalted in that day."
- 1 Peter 5:5 "All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, 'God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."







### Devotional: Pride Leads to Downfall; Choose Humility

Pride can be deceptively alluring but ultimately leads to destruction. Proverbs 16:18 warns us of the serious consequences that come with a haughty spirit. When we elevate ourselves above others or even above God, we begin a dangerous path that can lead to downfall and separation from God's favor.

Pride blinds us to our true condition, making repentance and growth difficult. Isaiah reminds us that arrogance will be humbled when God's justice is revealed, and only He deserves true exaltation. This humbling is not punishment alone but a necessary step to restore our right standing with God.

Peter encourages us to clothe ourselves with humility because God's grace opposes pride but favors the humble. Recognizing our weaknesses and depending on God's strength counters the destructive nature of pride and opens us to His blessings.

Take time today to examine any prideful attitudes you may be harboring and ask God to soften your heart. Let humility be your daily garment.







# Reflect and Apply

1.	How have you seen pride lead to difficulties in your life or relationships?
2.	What steps can you take to 'clothe yourself' with humility daily?
	In what ways does God's opposition to the proud encourage you to remain humble?







# **Journaling Prompts**

	Identify moments you acted pridefully and write how humility could have changed things.
2.	Describe what holding onto humility looks like in tough situations.
3.	Pray for God's help to recognize pride early and respond with humility.







## Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, protect me from the snares of pride. Help me to see the warning signs and humble myself before You and others. Teach me to rely on Your strength instead of my own abilities so I do not fall. Clothe me with humility that I might walk securely in Your favor and reflect Your character to the world. Keep my heart soft and teachable. In Jesus' name, Amen. (?)

















Day 3: 🎇 Living Out Humility

#### Your Verse

Micah 6:8 - "He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Matthew 23:12 "For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."
- Colossians 3:12 "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."







Day 3: 🎇 Living Out Humility

## Devotional: Humility is a Daily Walk with God

Humility is not just an attitude but a way of life demonstrated by our actions. Micah 6:8 sums up what God desires from us: to walk humbly with Him. This means ongoing reliance on God's guidance and putting His will above our own prideful desires.

Jesus taught that those who humble themselves will be exalted, confirming the principle that God honors the meek and lowly in spirit. Living out humility involves compassion, kindness, patience, and gentleness—qualities that reflect God's heart in everyday relationships.

As we practice humility, we become vessels of God's love to a world desperately needing it. Walking humbly means accepting our limitations, embracing grace, and choosing to bless others rather than seeking personal glory.

Commit today to intentional acts of humility. Let your humility be visible and active, leading others closer to God's love through your example.







Day 3: 🞇 Living Out Humility

# Reflect and Apply

1.	How can you intentionally walk humbly with God each day?
	What practical steps can you take to demonstrate humility in your relationships?
3.	How does embodying humility open doors for God's work through you?







Day 3: 🞇 Living Out Humility

# **Journaling Prompts**

List ways you can show compassion and kindness through humility.
Reflect on moments when humility led to blessing in your life or others'.
Write a commitment prayer to walk humbly with God daily.







Day 3: 🎇 Living Out Humility

## Prayer for Today

Lord, teach me to walk humbly with You each day. Help me to show kindness, patience, and compassion in all my relationships. May my life reflect Your love and humility, drawing others closer to You. Enable me to put aside selfish ambition and seek Your will above my own. Thank You for the grace that empowers me to live this way. In Jesus' name, Amen. \*







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