

## EVIDENCES AND CHARACTERISTICS OF PRIDE

- Am I envious or jealous when others are honored instead of me?
- Do I have feelings of gladness when another is humbled?
- Do I react or have difficulty accepting criticism? Am I quick to justify and defend myself, telling my side of the story when someone points out my shortcomings?
- Do I dislike it when people ignore me?
- Do I have a competitive spirit?
- Do I compare myself with those around me, wanting to have more or be better than they?
- Am I quick to give answers with the attitude that my answer is the right one?
- Am I covetous, wanting what someone else has?
- Do I trust in or depend upon my own abilities, virtues, strengths and resources?
- Do I have difficulty admitting mistakes and asking forgiveness by saying "I was wrong."?
- Do I boast of my accomplishments?
- Am I discontent, dissatisfied, frustrated or resentful?
- Do I complain or murmur?
- Am I preoccupied with myself and my agenda, plans, goals, ambitions and career objectives?
- Do I "drop names" of others to gain approval for myself?
- Is most of my time promoting myself rather than promoting God or others?
- Am I more concerned about my reputation rather than God's?
- Do I have a contempt for or intolerance of others?
- Am I inflexible – only my way will do?
- Do I criticize, accuse, judge or reject others?
- Am I angry with God?
- Do I gossip?
- Do I have an unforgiving spirit?
- Do I find it difficult to love others?
- Do I give the impression that my family and I never experience problems?
- Do I have a tendency to think that I have no needs or find it difficult to express my needs?
- Do I desire control of people and things?
- Do I put pressure on my children to become what I want them to be rather than what God wants them to be?
- Do I have difficulty listening to God and others?
- Do I want to be the first to bring the news to someone who is unaware of an event?
- Am I making myself look good in order to present a better image of myself?
- Do I give praise with the purpose of drawing attention to myself?
- Do I give the impression that I am something I'm not, finding it difficult to be transparent or honest?
- Do I have difficulty making intimate friendships?
- Do I fear failing?
- Do I encourage repetition of a good report about myself?
- Do I give negative reports about others and events?
- Do I tend to rehearse in my mind past successes?
- Do I fantasize rather than thinking on those things that are true, honest, just, pure, lovely and of good report?
- Do I spend more time thinking about and delighting in myself than I do of God and others?
- Do I withhold information with the intent of wanting to hurt an individual?
- Do I make jokes with the intent of hurting someone at his expense?

- Do I hide behind humor?
- Do I find it difficult to speak the truth about myself or others?
- Do I exaggerate the facts?
- Do I have difficulty making decisions?
- Do I tend to live above my means because I have difficulty admitting I can't afford it?
- Am I quick to correct others, especially in front of their peers?
- Do I ignore the suggestions and counsel of others?
- Do I find it difficult to know God intimately?
- Do I work without consulting my authorities?
- Do I crave recognition and notoriety, especially that come from degrees, titles, positions, achievements?
- Am I concerned about receiving the credit I think I deserve?
- Do I have difficulty saying "no" to those things I know are not the will of God in my life?
- Do I disregard the welfare and happiness of other people?
- Do I have thoughts of suicide?
- Do I feel I am a "self-made" individual?
- Do I admit my faults for the purpose of showing others how humble I am?
- Do I react or dislike it when God disciplines me either directly or through others?
- Do I try to ignore God?
- Am I more interested in what I say than what other people say, believing my ideas and opinions are more important than others?
- Do I put others down to make myself look good?
- Do I enjoy teasing others?
- Do I think I'm not a proud person?
- Do I like to have power and control or be the one in authority?
- Do I desire to become rich?
- Am I totally unconcerned or indifferent about what others think of me?
- Do I have difficulty accepting God's plan for my life with gratitude and thankfulness?
- Do I consider myself more important than others?
- Do I have difficulty understanding and believing that God is in control regardless of what is happening?
- Does my religious life make me feel I am as good as or better than someone else or more humble than others?
- Do I try to live the Christian life by my own efforts or am I yielding myself to the control and power of the Holy Spirit??
- Do I have a regular daily time of reading God's word and praying?
- Do I begin each day thinking I can get through the day without meeting God?
- Do I fear man or fear the Lord? Am I more concerned what others think of me than what God thinks of me? Do I tend to be a people-pleaser rather than a God-pleaser?
- Are there some recurring sins in my life over which there has not been victory?
- Do I justify, rationalize, excuse, and blame others for my sin?
- Do I believe God exist to meet my needs?
- Do I love the Lord with all my heart, soul, mind and strength?