

Answer Key:

Problems of Pride...

- conflict
- prevent
- self-preoccupation
- anger
- Sin
- argument
- obstacle
- Self-Righteous

Just the Facts...

- humble
- dependency
- trusting
- way / time

Turn Around

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|-------------|------------|
| 1. Admit | •honest |
| 2. Evaluate | •shaped |
| 3. Enjoy | • grateful |
| 4. Serve | • others |
| 5. Depend | •totally |

Summer Days in the Carolinas

Part 3

“The things that block us!”

Proverbs 16:18 Message

"First pride, then the crash - the bigger the ego, the harder the fall."

Introductory Statement

Pride makes us think that we will always do the right thing. There is a big difference between thinking we will always do the right thing and having the wisdom to know that we are always capable of doing the wrong thing and then choosing to do the right thing.

You might be Prideful if...

- Pride is always self-seeking and self-promoting.
- **Pride** is always glad at someone else's failures if it means **our own success**.
- **Pride** always draws the attention in the conversation or situation to us, often at the expense of others.
- **Pride** leads to every other vice: it is the complete anti-God state of mind.....
- **Pride** destroys relationships.

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Problems of PRIDE...

●It will cause _____.

2 Chronicles 26:16 HCSB

"But when he became strong, he grew arrogant and it led to his own destruction. He acted unfaithfully against the Lord..."

●Pride keeps us from admitting _____!

"Pride is your greatest enemy..."

John R.W. Stott

●It will _____ growth in your walk with the God.

2 Chronicles 26:19 NLT

"Uzziah, who was holding an incense burner, became furious."

Pride that keeps someone from being teachable is one of the most subtle forms of pride there is....!

●Pride is an ingredient in every _____.

●It will produces _____
_____!

2 Chronicles 26:16 GWT

"But when he became powerful, his pride destroyed him. He was unfaithful to the LORD his God. He went into the LORD's temple to burn incense on the incense altar."

•Pride is an _____ to Our Faith in God!

•It will _____ the Lord!

James 4:6 GNT

"As the scripture says, "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble."

•Pride makes us _____ -

_____!

"Pride is spiritual cancer: it eats up the very possibility of love, or contentment, or even common sense"

C.S. Lewis

Just the Facts...

•Become _____!

James 4:10 NIV

"Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up."

•Humility is total _____ on God.

•It is _____ God to do the ***right*** thing at the ***right*** time in the right way.

•It trusts Him to use you in the right _____ at the right _____.

Pride is independence - humility is dependence.

Turn Around...

1. _____ your sins.

Proverbs 28:13 Living Bible

"A man who refuses to admit his mistakes can never be successful. But if he confesses and forsakes them, he gets another chance."

•Just be _____ with yourself!

2. _____ yourself!

Romans 12:3 GWT

"Because of the kindness that God has shown me, I ask you not to think of yourselves more highly than you should. Instead, your thoughts should lead you to use good judgment based on what God has given each of you as believers."

•Become what God _____ you for.

Do you know what your are passion about?

Galatians 6:4 NIV

"Each one should test his own actions. Then he can take pride in himself, without comparing himself to somebody else,"

3. _____ Success!

1 Corinthians 4:7 Living Bible

"What are you so puffed up about? What do you have that God hasn't given you? And if all you have is from God, why act as though you are so great, and as though you have accomplished something on your own?"

•Be _____ for what God does allow in your life.

4. _____ others!

Philippians 2:3-5 NV

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:"

•Humility is thinking more of _____.

5. _____ Totally.

Psalms 10:4 NCV

"The wicked people are too proud. They do not look for God; there is no room for God in their thoughts."

- _____ trust Jesus!

Ephesians 2:8-9 NIV

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast."

Closing

The cure for pride which causes so many problems is the

GRACE of God!