The Pride Of Life

(1 John 2:15-16)

Introduction: 1. Someone has said that pride hides a man's faults to himself and magnifies them to everyone else.

- 2. Pride is something that God hates (Proverbs 6:16-19).
- 3. God resists the proud (1 Peter 5:5).
- 4. Why is God so against pride? What's so bad about it?

I. Pride Causes Us To Forget Who We Are

- A. (Luke 17:7-10).
- B. We are servants, not those who are to be served.
- C. (Acts 6:1-8).
- D. (Romans 14:18).

II. Pride Causes Us To Be Blind To Our Own Sins

- A. (Romans 3:9-10).
- B. The things we are guilty of don't seem as bad as what the other fellow has done.
- C. (Matthew 21:33-46).

III. Pride Causes Us To Be Judgmental Of Others

- A. (Matthew 18:9-14).
- B. We shouldn't be surprised or shocked at the sins of others for we know all to well how we can stumble into sin.
- C. God is concerned about our attitudes, not just when we are praying, but at all times.

IV. Pride Keeps Us From Repenting

- A. (Matthew 5:3).
- B. In order to be saved, one must acknowledge he is a sinner, and humble himself so that he can receive help from God (1 Peter 5:6).
- C. (1 Corinthians 1:26).

Conclusion: 1. It may be time to an honest look at our lives.

- 2. I'm sure it is not your desire to war against God (1 Peter 5:5), but that will be the result of pride.
- 3. Humble yourself before God, obey his commandments, and live as a servant all your life, and the Lord will exalt you in due time.