

"Pride"

The sin we all kind of want!

We want to be winners
We want to be successful
We want to be admired

The sin we all kind of need!

Pride is what gives us motivation
Pride is what provides us confidence
Pride is what brings us self-worth

So why is pride a deadly sin?

It keeps us from admitting our need

I am a sinner
I am addicted
I am powerless

It keeps from receiving help

I want do it myself
I can do it myself
I must do it myself

It stands in the way of love

To win, someone else loses
To succeed, someone else fails
To be admired, someone else is pitied

It destroys our relationship with God

Pride cannot depend totally on God
Pride cannot truly worship God
Pride cannot sincerely serve God

How do I overcome the sin of pride?

Admit the brutal truth about myself

I really do need help!

Accept the precious gift of salvation

I cannot earn it, I must receive it

Adopt the humble attitude of Jesus

I must decrease, He must increase

What deadly thing is pride doing to you?

1 Peter 5:5-7

5 Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because,

"God opposes the proud
but gives grace to the humble."

6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. 7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

Philippians 2:2-8

1 If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, 2 then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. 3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. 4 Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

5 Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:
6 Who, being in very nature God,
did not consider equality with God something to be grasped,
7 but made himself nothing,
taking the very nature of a servant,
being made in human likeness.
8 And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to death-
even death on a cross!

Romans 12:14-16

14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.
15 Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.
16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

4 Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

The tradition of the seven deadly sins:

Seven Deadly Vices

Seven Heavenly Virtues

(Sermons yet to be preached)

Anger

Gluttony

Patience

Temperance

(Sermons already preached)

Greed

Lust

Envy

Sloth

Pride

Charity

Chastity

Kindness

Diligence

Humility

Vote for your most "deadly" sin

Which "deadly sin" do you most need to overcome?

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Voting begins at the end of this worship service

Voting ends Monday evening at 12 midnight

The "deadly sin" with the fewest votes will be preached on next Sunday



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