



Shift

Main Scripture: James 4:6-10

Additional Scriptures: Matthew 19:16-21, Mark 2:17, Ezekiel 16:49, Proverbs 11:2, 16:18, 18:12, 29:23

Discussion Questions

- **Read James 4:6-10.** When you don't know where to go or what to, humble yourself in the sight of the Lord. What areas in your life need humbling?
- P. Mike talked about how pride is the anti-thesis of love. Pride is impatient, unkind, envies, boasts, dishonors others, self-seeking, easily angered, keeps records of wrong, and does not believe all things.
 - Of these traits of pride, which ones are the easiest for you to fall into? Why?
- “Humility is the best way to live and the only way to die.” What do you think Pastor Mike meant when he said that? Why is humility the best way to live?
 - Why and how is it the best way to die?
- Kindness is treating people better than they deserve. Pride is treating people exactly how they should be treated. How can you show humility to the following:
 - Your spouse? Kids? Co-workers? Classmates? Roommates? Friends? Family members? Small group members?
- Grace offends us because grace is not for middle class/high class... it is for the poor (in spirit). The only thing you bring to the table is what Jesus did for you. What sort of achievements or accomplishments do you try to bring to the table (even if you know in your mind that Jesus paid it all)? Where is pride the highest in your life?
- God doesn't help those who help themselves but helps those who humble themselves. What does humbling yourself look like?
- Are there aspects of humility that can be applied to all circumstances and situations? If so, what are they?
- **Read Colossians 3:1-4.** Proud people are always looking down but God is always up. What are some ways to keep our eyes set on things above and not on earthly things?
- **Read Proverbs 11:2, 16:18, 18:12, 29:23.** What universal principles of humility can be taken from these verses in Proverbs? Which speaks to you the most?