

C. Practice _____ When You are Wrong

James 5:16 (The Message)

Make this your common practice: **Confess your sins to each other** and pray for each other so that you can live together whole and healed.

Isaiah 30:15a

In **repentance** and rest is your salvation...

D. Practice _____ Your Plans to God

James 4:6-7 (CEV)

God opposes everyone who is proud, but He gives grace to everyone who is humble. So surrender to God!

Matthew 11:28-30 (The Message Bible)

Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. 29 Walk with me and work with me — watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. 30 Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly.

CONCLUSION

LOVE DOES NOT BOAST, IT IS NOT PROUD Building Great Relationships with Humility

1 Corinthians 13:4d

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INTRODUCTION

In Your Bible:

1 Corinthians 13:1-4

(Page 1137 in the Pew Bible)

Proverbs 13:10

Arrogance causes nothing but trouble.

I. FOUR PROBLEMS OF SINFUL PRIDE

A. Pride Produces _____

Matthew 15:14

If a blind man leads a blind man, both will fall into a pit.

B. Pride Promotes _____

Proverbs 13:10 (NCV)

Pride only leads to arguments.

C. Pride Prevents _____

James 4:1

What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you?

D. Pride Postpones _____

Proverbs 28:13 (TLB)

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

II. FOUR PRACTICES OF SPIRIT-GIVEN HUMILITY

Daniel 10:12

Do not be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to **humble yourself before your God**, your words were heard, and I have come in response to them.

A. Practice Giving _____ to Others

Romans 12:10 (NASB)

Give preference to one another in honor.

Philippians 2:3-8 (The Message Bible)

Don't push your way to the front; don't sweet-talk your way to the top. Put yourself aside, and **help others get ahead**. 4 Don't be obsessed with getting your own advantage. Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand. 5 **Think of yourselves the way Christ Jesus thought of himself**. 6 He had equal status with God but didn't think so much of himself that he had to cling to the advantages of that status no matter what. 7 Not at all. When the time came, he set aside the privileges of deity and took on the status of a slave, became human! 8 Having become human, he stayed human. It was an incredibly humbling process. He didn't claim special privileges. Instead, he lived a selfless, obedient life and then died a selfless, obedient death — and the worst kind of death at that: a crucifixion.

James 1:19

Be **quick to listen**, slow to speak...

B. Practice _____ from Others

Proverbs 15:32

If you reject criticism, you only harm yourself, but if you listen to correction, you grow in understanding.

Proverbs 18:15 (GNT)

Intelligent people are always eager and ready to learn.

Peter Drucker:

An educated person is someone who has learned how to learn and never stops learning.