

IDENTIFYING PRIDE

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In the blanks, write "OP" for obvious pride and "HP" for hidden pride. Obvious pride (OP) is focusing on oneself, one's possessions, goals, or achievements. Hidden pride (HP) is focusing on one's inner pain and feelings of rejection, leading to an inability to respond to other's needs.

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PROPER ATTITUDE

_____ Desire to be recognized and appreciated

Being eager for others to get the credit and rejoicing when others are lifted up

_____ Hurt feelings when others are promoted but I am overlooked

Desiring to promote others

_____ Focus on myself rather than others

Concentrating on serving others

_____ Blaming others for their failures

Accepting personal responsibility and having a patient, forgiving attitude

_____ Becoming defensive when criticized

Receiving criticism with a humble, open spirit

_____ Concern about what others think of me

Being concerned with being real; what matters to me is not what others think, but what God knows; being willing to die to my own reputation

_____ Difficulty in admitting when I have failed another person

Being quick to admit failures and to seek forgiveness when necessary

_____ View of others as lower than myself

Esteeming all others better than myself

_____ Desire for others to meet my needs

Being motivated to serve others

_____ Desire for self-advancement

Desiring to promote others

_____ Desire to be successful apart from God's blessing or direction

Being motivated to be faithful and to make others a success

_____ Refusal to give up personal rights

Yielding my rights, developing a meek spirit

_____ Desire to control others

Surrendering my will to God and allowing Him to direct others

_____ Talking most often about myself when conversing with others

Not being concerned with self at all, but interested in others

_____ Drawing attention to my abilities and achievements

Having a sense of my own unworthiness; thrilled that God would use me at all

_____ Feeling sorry for myself (self pity) because I'm not appreciated

Looking to God, not man, for my approval

_____ Focus on my knowledge and experience

Being humbled by how much I need to learn

_____ Self-sufficient attitude, excluding God or others

Having a dependent spirit; recognizing my need for God and others

*"Lord, I acknowledge and renounce my pride as evidenced through my _____ (identify pride).
I ask Your forgiveness and choose to humble myself and respond by _____ (proper attitude)_____."*