

“Proverbs 6:16-19—Part 1”

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BIG SANDY, Texas—At our Bible study on Wednesday night, I began a seven-part series. The title of the presentation was “Proverbs 6:16-19—Part 1.”

The presentation began with the first listed characteristic that God hates—that being a “proud look.” From there, I also talked about the first characteristic that God loves—that being a “humble outlook.”

Proud look

The book of proverbs is filled with material that describes a proud look. Notice many verses in the book of Proverbs.

Proud

- Proverbs 6:17
- Proverbs 15:25
- Proverbs 16:5
- Proverbs 16:19
- Proverbs 21:4
- Proverbs 28:25

Pride

- Proverbs 8:13
- Proverbs 11:2
- Proverbs 13:10
- Proverbs 14:3
- Proverbs 16:18
- Proverbs 29:23

Haughty

- Proverbs 16:18
- Proverbs 18:12

Pride and haughty

- Proverbs 16:18

Proud, haughty and pride

- Proverbs 21:24—A proud and haughty man ("Scoffer" is his name); he acts with arrogant pride.

Pride of the devil

The pride of the devil contributed to his fall and to the fall of the spirit world that followed him.

- Genesis 3:1-5
- Matthew 4:9
- Luke 10:18
- Jude 6
- Revelation 12:4
- Revelation 12:7-9

Famous examples of pride

- Isaiah 10:12-15—The king of Assyria was filled with pride.
- saiah 14:12-14—Lucifer was filled with pride.
- Ezekiel 28:12-19—The king of Tyre was filled with pride.

Humble outlook

Just as God hates a proud look, He loves a humble outlook. Having a humble outlook includes properly loving yourself.

- Matthew 22:37-40—Part of the Great Commandment is: "You shall love your neighbor as you love yourself."
- Philippians 2:3-8—We are to esteem other people better than ourselves.

Bad examples

- Matthew 20:25—Many leaders seek to lord it over other people and to exercise authority over other people.
- Matthew 23:6-15—Even church "leaders" want the best seats, the best titles and other things that exalt them over people.
- 2 Corinthians 11:13—Deceitful workers transform themselves into apostles of Christ.

- 2 Corinthians 11:14—Satan transforms himself into an “angel of light.”
- 2 Corinthians 11:20—The people allowed religious leaders to do the following five things to them—take them into bondage, devour them, steal from them, exalt themselves over them and strike them on the face.

Good examples

- Exodus 32:10-14—When the Lord God offered Moses to receive power, Moses refused and demonstrated a humble outlook.
- Acts 14:9-17—When the people of Lystra called Paul and Barnabas the names of two Roman gods and offered to sacrifice animals to them, the two men reacted strongly against the idea.
- Romans 16:1-15—The apostle Paul publicly thanked many servants—as the list mentioned a total of 29 people (which included 10 women).
- Philippians 2:19-22—The apostle Paul publicly complimented the serving attitude of Timothy.
- Revelation 19:10—An angel told John not to fall down and worship him.
- Revelation 22:8-9—An angel again told John not to fall down and worship him.

Perfect example

- Matthew 4:10—The Son of God told the devil: “You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only shall you serve.”
- John 5:30—The Son of God said: “I do not seek My own will, but the will of the Father who sent Me.”
- John 6:38—The Son of God said: “I did not come down from heaven to do My own will, but to do the will of Him who sent Me.”
- John 10:17-18—The Son of God came to lay down His life—willingly.
- Matthew 26:36-44—Remember the words of the Son of God in the Garden of Gethsemane.
- 1 Corinthians 15:24-28—The Son of God will put an end to all rule, authority and power—as He continues to subject Himself to the Father. The end result is: “God may be all in all.”