

The Narrow Way

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Matthew 6:13

Pride and Humility

The Humiliation of Jesus

What is down the narrow (squeazy) way?

Focusing on the cross is scary

Focusing on the resurrection is hope

Pride is the complete anti-God state of mind.

If we humble ourselves – then God will lift us up.

Philippians 2:3-5

James 4:6-7

1 Peter 5:5-7

Matthew 11:28-29

The Greatest Teaching of Jesus was his Life

Servanthood is the antidote to pride

Humility - God gives grace to the humble.



ENCOUNTER QUESTIONS

Spiritual Growth Small Groups at Emmanuel Reformed Church

Review the sermon, what were the key points?

What questions did it raise for you?

What was most important?

What is the difference between pride in what a child we love does? Pride in something we have accomplished? And pride in who we are?

How can pride in an accomplishment create division between us, God and others, or draw us closer? Consider **Galatians 6:3-5**

Consider these additional verses on pride and humility. **Romans 12:16, 1 Corinthians 13:3-4, Proverbs 3:34, 16:18-21, Psalm 138:6.**

How does choosing to serve others move us closer to God?

What does it mean to serve others?

What are ways to serve others without accomplishing tasks?

When have you found God's grace in taking the path of humility?

Do you trust God enough to choose humility and see what God does?

Prayer

Heavenly Father, I believe you are good and want good for me. Thank you for sending your Son, and I marvel at the humiliation he experienced on my behalf. I need your help to root out the pride in my life, and take the posture of a servant in your kingdom. Thank you for your grace. In Christ I pray, Amen.