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Pride brings a person LOW ...  
Proverbs 29:23

It was pride that changed angels into devils. It is humility that makes men as angels. (St. Augustine)

Pride is concerned with WHO is right.

Humility is concerned with WHAT is right.

The proud person wishes God to agree with them. They are not interested in changing their opinions to agree with God's. (Ezra Taft Benson)

# **POSITIVE**

- Great pleasure or satisfaction derived from achievement, accomplishment, victory, etc.
- A positive sense of reward when effort or investment or vision reaches its desired goal.

## **NEGATIVE**

- A view of SELF that exaggerates or distorts one's relative importance
- Focus on SELF to a degree that fails to recognize or admit the importance, contribution, or validity of others

## **PROVERBS 3:7-8**

Do not be WISE IN YOUR OWN EYES;  
fear the Lord and shun evil. This will bring  
health to your body and nourishment to  
your bones.

HUMBLY LISTEN and CONSIDER the advice of God and the experience of other people. This is true “wisdom”.

## **Proverbs 6:1-5**

If you have put up security for your neighbor or shook hands on a pledge, if you have been trapped by what you said ... (Mistake!) then do this to free yourself ... Go and humble yourself (apologize!). Press your plea with your neighbor.

Stubbornness that is UNWILLING to admit wrong or change posture is simply pride. Such stubbornness holds me in bondage and severely limits my possibilities.

## **PROVERBS 9:7-9**

Whoever corrects a mocker invites INSULT. Whoever rebukes a wicked man incurs ABUSE. Do not rebuke a mocker or he will hate you. Rebuke a wise man and he will love you. Instruct a wise man and he will be wiser still.

An unwillingness to RECEIVE  
criticism or a “same to you!”  
RESPONSE indicates pride that will  
destroy every relationship and cost  
many friendships and opportunities  
that would have blessed my life!

Whoever loves discipline loves  
knowledge, but the one who hates  
correction is stupid. (**Proverbs 12:1**)

## **PROVERBS 16:5**

The Lord detests all the proud of heart. Be sure of this: They will not go unpunished.

The root of all pride (fallen human nature) is an UNWILLINGNESS to acknowledge God and DETERMINATION to be the God of your own life. This challenge to the Creator will not stand.

## **Proverbs 16:18**

Pride goes before destruction,  
a haughty spirit before a fall.

More than any genetic, financial, or circumstantial disadvantage, pride **sets me up** for failure. Power, position, nor intelligence **cannot shield** me from the destructive nature of pride. Eventually it will do its damage.

The wealth of the rich is their fortified city. They **IMAGINE IT TO BE** an unscalable wall. (**Proverbs 18:11**)

When pride comes, then comes disgrace.  
**(Proverbs 11:2)**