

# The Seven

## Week Three

### Main Idea

The sin of pride is the forerunner to all other sins in our lives. We will never fulfill our destiny until we deal with our pride.

### Starter

Nothing gets at our pride quicker than feeling embarrassed. What is one of your most embarrassing moments?

### Discuss

What comes to mind when you think of pride?

How do you feel pride can get in the way of someone fulfilling their purpose in life?

We learned this week that pride wants to be heard and always comes out in our words. In what situations do you find it hard to remain quiet?

### What does the Bible say?

Read [Genesis 37:1-11](#). What caused Joseph's brothers to hate him? How could he have handled that better?

What proud behaviors do you have that frustrate others? Why do you feel you continue to do it?

Read [Matthew 12:34](#) and [Matthew 20:25-26](#). According to these verses, what's the source of our pride and what's the remedy?

Is there a pride test that you can see God working through in your life right now?

### Apply the message

We don't want to spend our time preventing the visible fruit of pride only; we need to deal with the invisible root of insecurity. What can you do this week to abandon your insecurity and live in the security that is found in relying on who God is?

Close with reading [Titus 3:3-7](#) to get a full understanding of the security we have in Jesus.

**Five resources to help you grow in this area:**

[\*When People are Big and God is Small\*](#) by Ed Welch

[The Freedom of Self-Forgetfulness](#) by Tim Keller

[Knowing God](#), J.I. Packer

[Humility](#) by Andrew Murray

[Who I am To Christ](#) by Bob Kellemen