

9. Pride is pervasive and it lurks around every corner, looking for a what in our lives?
10. Do you have a pride problem? Do those around you most agree with your answer to that question?
11. Pride is easiest to spot where?
12. Mark 10:35-45 records things that took place in what part of our Lord's life?
13. The opening verses of Mark 11 tell us about the what?
14. What is a continual battle?
15. A primary aspect of being ready to do ministry is dealing with character issues that are a what?
16. What three disciples made up the "inner circle" of the disciples?
17. Verse 35 tells us that the request was from James and John, but Matthew 20:20 tells us it was through whom?
18. Did James' and John's mother express humility when she made her request?
19. What kind of things do we pray that are prompted by pride?
20. Pride in our lives likes to disguise itself as what?
21. The disciples knew that what was coming?
22. In Matthew 19, Jesus had promised the disciples that they would do what in the kingdom?
23. Jesus tells James and John that by asking for those positions, they are asking for what to come their way?
24. Since baptism is immersion, this word was often used in a metaphorical sense of being overwhelmed with what?
25. Jesus is trying to get them to see the connection between what?
26. What precedes glory?
27. James and John assumed that the kingdom was right around the corner and they wanted what positions?
28. James and John didn't understand that what was going to happen to Jesus?
29. What happened to James (as recorded in Acts 12)?
30. John was tortured and exiled to what island?
31. How did the other disciples respond to the request of James and John?
32. The prideful request by James and John came right after Jesus announced what?
33. So often we are products of what?
34. Our culture tells us to do what (in relation to ourselves)?
35. What is the antithesis for how Jesus wants His disciples to live?
36. Jesus directed their ambition towards what?
37. True greatness, as measured by our Lord, is in what?
38. There is no glory, honor, or exaltation in what word?
39. Where do you want to get your recognition from?
40. What did Jesus do with what He taught?

41. The Lord's life was offered up as a ransom to God to pay for your sins and mine, including what sin?

42. Pastor Bryan lists a number of ways that pride comes out in our lives. Which one(s) are true of you?

43. How are you dealing with pride?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- »»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- »»How can I accomplish this change?
- »»What is the first step toward bringing about this change
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FOR NEXT TIME:

1. This week, read Mark 1:1-10:52 through one time.
2. Have you ever talked to a critic of the Bible? What was the gist of his criticism?
3. Read Matthew 20:29-34 and Luke 18:35-43. What is the apparent contradiction to Mark 10:46-52?

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PRIDEFUL AMBITION

Mark 10:35-45

Series #55

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **“Prideful Ambition.”** All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. One of the reasons why it is difficult for us to see pride is because pride can do what?
2. Many times, when we get our feelings hurt, it is because of what?
3. Another way pride manifests itself is when we are offended by what?
4. Have you ever been offended because your expectations, preferences, and/or wants weren't met?
5. Another way pride manifests itself is by our lack of interest in what?
6. Are you one who is unwilling to be challenged and stretched in your thinking or in your ways?
7. Another way pride manifests itself is by our tendency to want to make sure that everyone does what?
8. What are some ways we can be prideful concerning spiritual issues?

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