

Luke 9:46-50

- ✓ Pride is one the ugliest things on the planet.
 - ✓ God hates all sins but He more than doubles down on His feelings toward pride: **Proverbs 6:16-17; Proverbs 8:13; Isaiah 13:11; Proverbs 16:5; 16:18; Proverbs 29:23; James 4:6; 1 Peter 5:5**
 - ✓ Pride was a problem for Jesus' disciples: **Luke 9:43-45; 46-50**
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1. There is nothing more natural to fallen humanity than pride.

- ✓ Pride is the quintessential sin of our fallenness: self-centeredness, self-promotion, self-fulfillment
 - ✓ Pride is the passion of the fallen heart.
 - ✓ Pride is considered a virtue now which goes right along with the way the current culture is reversing everything; Isa. 5:20-21
 - ✓ We even had a "Selfie Day" celebrated just recently; can you imagine Jesus participating in that?
 - ✓ A selfie just gives expression to how desperately fallen we are.
 - ✓ Our real religion is the worship above everything else.
 - ✓ So, no shock that the disciples went straight to who would be the greatest among them even after Jesus told them about His betrayal crucifixion.
 - ✓ Self-worship is what our fallenness is really about: **Genesis 3:5**
 - ✓ Every other sin rises out of the soil of pride.
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2. Pride seeks to dethrone God: Psalm 10:4

- ✓ There is little room for faith in God since we believe in ourselves so much!
 - ✓ Thus, to come to God and be saved requires us to humble ourselves, repent of our lostness and sin and cry out for forgiveness, a humbling experience.
 - ✓ **Luke 18:10-12; Verses 13 and 14**, if you cannot humble yourself like this man, you cannot be saved!
 - ✓ If you can't humble yourself, you can't follow Jesus **Luke 9:23**
 - ✓ In order to put God on the throne of your life, you have to dethrone pride
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