

What Would Jesus Undo: wk4 Spiritual Pride

Introduction: Pride is a difficult thing to see in the mirror but it is something Jesus would undo if we let him. How would our lives be different if we held an accurate view of who God is, who we are, and who our neighbors are?

Discussion Questions

- 1. Why do you think pride is so easy to see in others yet difficult to see in ourselves?
- 2. In the sermon Jeremy said that spiritual pride damages both the vertical axis (with God) and the horizontal axis (other people)- how does pride damage your ability to love God and/or people?
- 3. **Read Luke 18:9-14** Why does Jesus tell this parable? What does trusting in themselves mean?
- 4. When Jesus begins the story talking about 2 men going to pray-1 is a Pharisee and 1 is a tax collector; what do you think the crowd expected him to say? When Jesus said that the tax collector walked away "justified" what do you think the reaction to that was? What is your reaction to that idea?
- 5. How does spiritual pride distort an accurate view of ourselves/God/others?
- 6. Sometimes we don't serve in areas because we think "I'm not good enough" or "God couldn't use me there." While it doesn't seem like pride-how is it still the same issue?
- 7. How can recognizing our sin being the cause Jesus had to die, along with recognizing his love for us defining our worth put together an accurate understanding of our identity?

Shaping Your Mind – Matthew 5:16b let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven

Moving Forward – When our actions are dedicated to God's glory – pride is put in its proper place.