



WEEK 4 | LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

CONNECT

- As a kid growing up, what was one of your greatest achievements (sport/club, award, grades, contest, talent, etc...)?

CONSIDER

- What encouraged or challenged you from the sermon and/or daily devotions this week?

CHRIST

Read Psalm 10:4; Proverbs 16:18, Isaiah 13:11, Jeremiah 9:23-24, & 1 John 2:16 as a Group

- Write down your group's answers to the following questions. **What lessons do you learn about pride from these passages? In your own words, how would you define pride?**
- The lie of "I am nothing less than my best moment", traps us in our pride and/or constantly chasing success. Either way, our identity begins to be found in a preoccupation with our own importance. In other words, our worth comes from us, and not God. **In what ways does our culture reward pride or the chase of success? In what ways have you seen that impact people's lives (positive or negative)?**
- Take a moment and reflect over the past week. **What is some evidence from your life that you may have been preoccupied with your own importance?**
- Pride keeps us from seeing God's best (Jeremiah 9:23-24). Speaking truth into this lie begins with remembering that everything is a result of God's goodness and grace. **This week, how have you seen God's goodness and grace in your life? Explain.**

Read Proverbs 29:23, Romans 12:3, John 3:26-31, and Philippians 2:3-11 as a group

- Write down your group's answers to the following questions. **What lessons do you learn about humility from these passages? In your own words, how would you define humility?**



5 LIES ABOUT OUR IDENTITY

IDENTITY THEFT

- Philippians 2:3 (NIV) encourages, “Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves...” In one verse, you can see the tension that we all struggle with between pride and humility. **What is the difference between pride and humility?**

What is one area that you regularly feel tempted to look down on others (education, possessions, physical appearance, influence, experience, intelligence, etc...)? What is the cost of giving in to your pride? What is the cost of giving into humility?

- Humility is at the root of seeking God. It shifts our focus from ourselves to Him. It counteracts chasing the lie “I am nothing less than my best moment”, because our identity/value is found in the praise and life giving truths of God. **What is one thing you can do this week to begin listening to the praise of your Heavenly Father?**
- In John 3:30, John the Baptist says, “He must become greater; I must become less.” **In what ways do you need to “become less” so Jesus can “become greater” in your life? What are some obstacles standing in the way?**

Beyond allowing Jesus to become greater, is there someone in your life you need to actively consider more important than yourself? How can you serve and encourage them this week?

CALLING

- To counteract the lie “I am nothing less than my best moment”, journal your thoughts completing this sentence, “Without God, I...” Finish this sentence several times to remove pride and focus on God’s goodness and grace in your life.
- **Daily Devotions:** Spend 15 minutes each day with Northside devotions. Text JOINGOD to 81411 or use the Study tab in Northside’s App for Daily Devotions.
- **Memorize:** “In his pride the wicked man does not seek him; in all his thoughts there is no room for God.” Psalm 10:4 (NIV)
- **Further Study:** Read about the life of Samson in Judges 13-16. Journal your thoughts on what you observe and learn about