

James 4:1-6

"...But all these causes for management failure have their root in one common cause: pride. In the simplest terms, pride is devastating. I'm not talking about the pride one has in their work or their accomplishments. I'm indicting the pride that inflates your sense of self-worth and distorts your perspective of reality."

(Dave Anderson, learntolead.com)



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The Bible Consistently Condemns The Proud & Prideful

"Everyone with a proud heart is detestable to the Lord; be assured, he will not go unpunished." (Proverbs 16:5)

"Pride comes before destruction, and an arrogant spirit before a fall." (Proverbs 16:18)

"The pride of mankind will be humbled, and human loftiness will be brought low; the Lord alone will be exalted on that day." (Isaiah 2:11,17)

"For from within, out of people's hearts, come...pride...All these evil things come from within and defile a person." (Mark 7:21-23)



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"There are two kinds of pride, both good and bad. "Good pride" represents our dignity and self-respect. "Bad pride" is the deadly sin of superiority that reeks of conceit and arrogance. When you look at the word pride, notice the middle letter is "I". When you are full of pride on the inside, it makes you stiff, stubborn, and creates strife with others." (John Maxwell)



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The Problems With Pride

The prideful are self-centered.

The prideful lack the ability to handle criticism.

The prideful will blame others for their failures.

The prideful will take all of the credit for successes.



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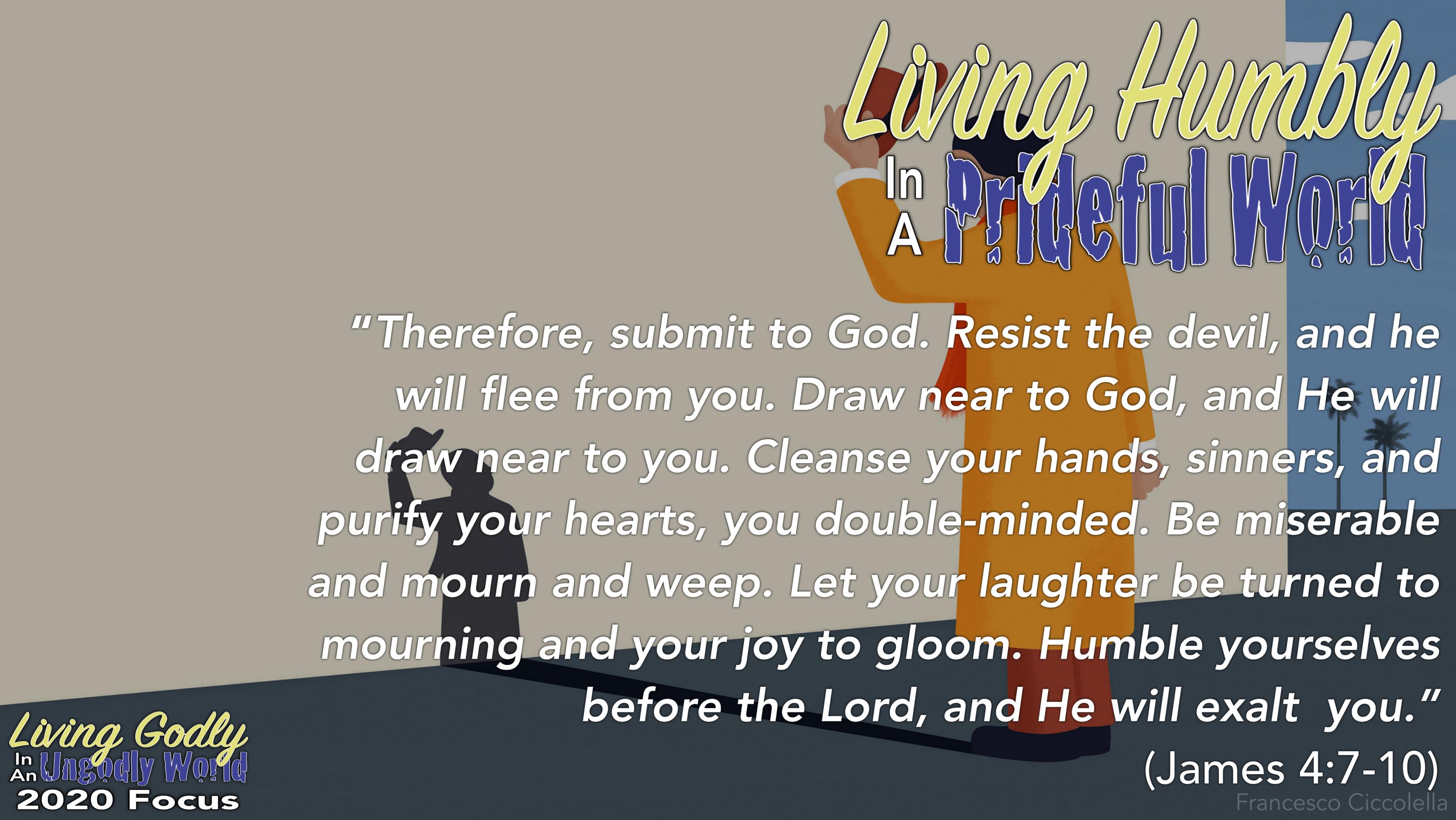
Humility: The Honorable Way

Choosing to be humble begins by acknowledging our weaknesses, shortcomings, & mistakes.

Choosing to be humble is choosing to be like Jesus.

Choosing to be humble allows for us to see the immense value in others.

Choosing to be humble does not mean that we believe we lack value or ability.



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"Therefore, submit to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be miserable and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will exalt you."

(James 4:7-10)

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