



Group Discussion Document

Ice Breaker:

• Share a time when you felt proud of an accomplishment. How did you celebrate it, and did it change the way you viewed yourself or others?

Short Summary of the Sermon: The sermon focused on the theme that God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble, as illustrated in the parable from Luke 18:9-14. The Pharisee's self-righteousness contrasted with the tax collector's humility highlights the danger of spiritual arrogance. The sermon emphasized the importance of gratitude and humility, warning against the blindness that pride can cause in our relationship with God, others, and our understanding of faith. It encouraged believers to cultivate gratitude and celebrate others to combat spiritual arrogance.

Group Questions:

- 1. How does the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector challenge your understanding of humility and pride?
- 2. In what ways can spiritual arrogance manifest in our daily lives, and how can we recognize it?
- 3. How does gratitude serve as a "sin repellent," according to the sermon? Can you share a personal experience where gratitude helped you overcome a temptation or challenge?
- 4. Discuss the concept of humility as focusing on others rather than oneself. How can this perspective change our interactions with others?
- 5. The sermon mentioned the "fourth generation fade." How can we ensure that our faith and values are effectively passed down to future generations?

Life Application:

 Reflect on areas in your life where you might be exhibiting spiritual arrogance. Consider how you can practice gratitude and humility in those areas. Make a conscious effort to celebrate the successes and blessings of others this week.

Challenge:

• This week, identify one person in your life who you can celebrate and encourage. Whether it's a small achievement or a significant milestone, find a way to express your appreciation

and support for them. Document how this act of celebration impacts your relationship with them and your own spiritual growth.