Becoming Unselfish with My Pride  
Proverbs 6:16-19  
Everyone has pride, and it is _____ _________ a bad thing. Having pride in our work, our children, or our country can be admirable.

Pride can become a problem when we allow it control our decisions. Matthew 16:21-23 22 Then Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, “Far be it from You, Lord; this shall not happen to You!”

Some troubling characteristics of pride:
1. It ________ us from seeing what we need.
2. It cherishes its own ________________.
3. It does not __________ its own sin. (Romans 3:9-10)

The Bible warns us about pride. Romans 12:3 3 For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think
1. Pride gives us a false sense of assurance. 1 Corinthians 10:12-13 12 Let him who _______ he stands take heed lest he fall.
2. Pride tricks us into a position of believing we are self-sufficient. Genesis 3:4-5 4 Then the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. 5 For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”
3. God ________ pride. Proverbs 6:16-19 These six things the Lord hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him: 17 A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent blood, 18 A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running to evil, 19 A false witness who speaks lies, And one who sows discord among brethren.

James 4:1-6 Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members? Therefore He says: “God ______ the proud, But gives grace to the humble.”

Pride causes us to forget who we are. Luke 17:7-10 We are the ________, not the master.

Pride keeps us from ________________. (Matthew 5:3; Luke 13:3; 2 Peter 3:9)

How can I be unselfish with my pride? Follow the example of Jesus. Philippians 2:5-7  Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, 7 but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. Jesus was proud of His relationship with God, but He made himself of no reputation.

When tempted by the devil, Jesus took pride in the ________________. (Matthew 4:1-11)

What type of pride will we leave here with tonight? Pride in myself? Or Pride in the Cross of Calvary? Our salvation is not of ourselves (Ephesians 2:8-9), but through the blood of Christ Jesus. (Galatians 6:14).