

*Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.*

**Colossians 3:12 (NIV)**

*You were dead because of your sins... Then God made you alive with Christ, for He forgave all our sins.*

**Colossians 2:13 (NLT)**

*If someone thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the 8th day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regards to the law, a Pharisee; as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.*

**Philippians 3:4-6 (NIV)**

*Paul, an apostle, sent not from men not by any man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father...*

**Galatians 1:1 (NIV)**

*Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus...*

**Romans 1:1 (NIV)**

*... the least of the Lord's people...*

**Ephesians 3:8 (NIV)**

*Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - of whom I am the worst.*

**1 Timothy 1:15 (NIV)**

## 1. PRIDE IS YOUR GREATEST ENEMY. HUMILITY IS YOUR GREATEST FRIEND.

*The Lord preserves those who are true to him, but the proud He pays back in full.*

**Psalms 31:23 (NIV)**

*God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.*

**1 Peter 5:5 (NIV)**

*But those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.*

**Matthew 23:12 (NIV)**

**"Make no mistake, pride is the greatest sin. It is the devil's most effective and destructive tool." -CS Lewis**

**"Pride is spiritual cancer: it eats up the very possibility of love, contentment, or even common sense. Pride leads to every other vice. It is an anti-God state of mind. It is pride that has been the chief cause of misery in every nation and every family since the world began." -CS Lewis**

## 2. PRIDE SEPARATES. HUMILITY CONNECTS.

**"Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it's thinking of yourself less." -CS Lewis**

*Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.*

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**Colossians 3:12 (NIV)**

**"Maybe I'm wrong."**

## 3. PRIDE WILL NEVER SURRENDER. HUMILITY SURRENDERED FOR US.

*But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger. When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground.*

**John 8:6-8 (NIV)**