

CROSS CHURCH



MAY 16-17, 2026

SURRENDERING SHADOWS - PART 6: THE SHADOW OF PRIDE

PROVERBS 16:5 The LORD detests the proud; they will surely be punished.

PROVERBS 16:18 Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.

JAMES 4:6 But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."

"...even if I could conceive that I had completely overcome it, I should probably be proud of my humility."

– BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, AUTOBIOGRAPHY

"You can't be filled with the Holy Spirit while full of yourself."

– CRAIG GROESCHEL

1 SAMUEL 9:21, 1 SAMUEL 10:27, 1 SAMUEL 11:5

SOME SIGNALS OF PRIDE THAT IS GROWING IN THE SHADOWS:

1. We Stop Waiting On God.

1 SAMUEL 13:6-9

1 SAMUEL 13:12 I thought, 'Now the Philistines will come down against me at Gilgal, and I have not sought the LORD's favor.'

So I felt compelled to offer the burnt offering."

2. We Stop Asking God.

1 SAMUEL 14:2 Saul was staying on the outskirts of Gibeah under a pomegranate tree in Migron. With him were about six hundred men,

1 SAMUEL 14:6, 1 SAMUEL 14:18-19, 1 SAMUEL 14:36

3. We Start Building Only For Ourselves.

1 SAMUEL 15:9 But Saul and the army spared Agag and the best of the sheep and cattle, the fat calves and lambs—everything that was good. These they were unwilling to destroy completely, but everything that was despised and weak they totally destroyed.

WHEN ALL YOU CAN OWN IS THE GOOD AND YOU
CANNOT CARRY THE WEIGHT OF WRONG DECISIONS,
PRIDE IS ON THE THRONE!

1 SAMUEL 15:17, 1 SAMUEL 15:30

HOW TO SURRENDER THE SHADOW AND REMAIN HUMBLE:

- **Surrender the wounds, not just the behavior.**
- **Let your heart go back to the plow.**
- **Keep God at the center**

TABLE TALK:

Take the time for intentional conversations and questions with your friends and family based on this weekend's message!

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What is the Holy Spirit speaking to me today, and how can I apply it?

DIVE NIGHT
7TH - 12TH GRADE
WEDNESDAY AT 7PM

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SUNDAY AT 10:15AM

**SMALL GROUP
LEADER TRAINING**
MAY 23-24, MAY 30-31

**SMALL GROUP
RALLY WEEKEND**
JUNE 06-07

**VACATION
BIBLE SCHOOL**
JUNE 08-12

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DEDICATIONS**
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