

Passing the Pride Test

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Review

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Key Scriptures: Matthew 4:1–11

Discuss

1. When you were younger, what were some of your dreams? Now that you are older, has your perspective changed?
2. Read Jeremiah 29:11. What are some plans you think God may have for your future?
3. Why is it important for us to let God develop our character?
4. What is one area in which God has developed your character over the years?
5. Pastor Robert shared that if you are still breathing, God has a destiny for you. How does this statement encourage you?
6. If you don't know God's destiny for your life, what is the best way to discover it?
7. Pastor Robert said we have to humble ourselves. What are some ways we can do this?
8. Insecurity, inferiority, and inadequacy are three root causes of pride. How should we deal with these roots in our lives?
9. What is the Holy Spirit saying to you through this message?

Takeaway

As we conclude, remember the following:

- God has a dream for you.
- Don't brag about your dream.
- Deal with the root of pride.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, we choose to humble ourselves before You. Help us hear what You are saying to us through this message. Show us if there are any dreams we are holding onto

that aren't from You so we can lay them down and pick up Your dreams. We commit our ways to You, and we trust You with our dreams and destinies. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Leader Tip

In the same way Pastor Robert asked his wife, Debbie, to give him genuine feedback, pick someone in your group whom you trust and ask them to give you honest feedback. Have them tell you if you get distracted, talk too much, or need help with engaging the group in discussion. Then thank them for being brave enough to speak the truth in love. This will help you grow as a leader.

Group Dynamics Idea

With the fall semester of groups about to kick off, now is a great time to invite people to your group! Personal invitations are the number one way people join a small group.