

Going Deeper Together



Humbling our Pride

James 1:19-27

[based on sermon preached 31.10.21 – may be available on the [church app](#) or at <https://lwac.org.au/sermons>]

KEY IDEAS

- When sinful pride has a foothold in our lives it manifests, when provoked, with:
 - Being slow to listen
 - Quick to speak
 - Quick to become angry (This is the primary indicator of sinful pride whether the anger is expressed outwardly or suppressed internally)
- The antidote to pride is to ‘humbly accept the word planted in you which can save you’. This word is the gospel which pierces our hearts with two truths:
 - 1. We always need saving: which humbles us, reveals our need and overthrows pride.
 - 2. God saves us because he loves us and is gracious to us in forgiving our sin, not because we deserve it: which gives us humble confidence and joy.

CONNECT

- Have each member relate a time when they got really angry.

STUDY

Read James 1:19-27

- James is concerned that we don’t deceive ourselves by simply ‘listening to the word’ and not doing it. What are the symptoms of this self deception?
- IN v26 and 27 James gives three ways that we are to be doers of the gospel, what are they?
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
- Now for each one above, describe how it might demonstrate in your life that God’s gracious love in Jesus has overthrown sinful pride?

APPLY

- Evaluate that time you got angry earlier (in the CONNECT section above) – how has James helped you to find the root of your anger?

- What is God's solution for you?

PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER

- According to need.