

# The Trials of Life: Proper Pride

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## James 1.9-11

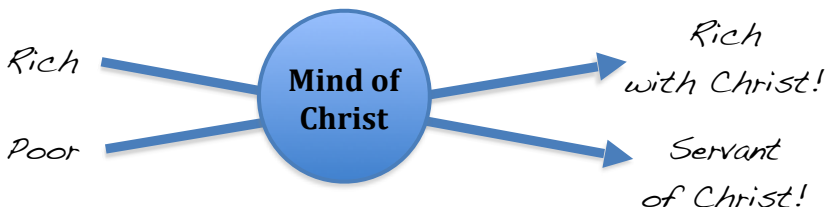
What are some of the things you are most proud of in life?  
What kinds of things are you ashamed of?  
Today we will discover how to take pride in the right things!

**MAIN TRUTH: Our true security in life comes through Jesus \_\_\_\_\_, not in \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.**

- **The Problem of Poverty:** \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
- **The Solution: Take proper pride in your exalted position**
  - 1) Realize you are only \_\_\_\_\_.  
*Philippians 3.20-21*
  - 2) \_\_\_\_\_ God and let him \_\_\_\_\_ of your needs.  
*Matthew 6.20-33; Philippians 4.19*
- **The Problem of Riches:** No \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ for God  
*Revelation 3.17*
- **The Solution: Take proper pride in your humble position**
  - 1) Do not store your \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2) Realize that life does not consist in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*Luke 12.15; James 1.11*

### Application:

- 1) Set your \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ on things above.  
*Colossians 3.1-4*
- 2) Lay up \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_. *Matthew 6.20-21*
- 3) Learn to filter thoughts and experiences through the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ so that you can achieve and maintain God's balance in your life. *1 Corinthians 2.16*



**Our prayer should be like that of Proverbs 30.7-9: "Give me neither poverty nor wealth; feed me with the food I need..."**