

#### **Pride**

### Introduction

Drift happens—usually it's not even noticeable. A relationship you used to value just doesn't mean as much anymore. Spending time with God becomes less important. How can you stop the drift and return joy to the places and people you love?

## **Pray**

Don't forget that if anything significant happens, it's because God moved. Start by asking God to bless this time.

#### **Practice Truth**

- 1. What do you think is the main difference between unhealthy pride and healthy pride?
- 2. When have you seen someone get tripped up over their pride?
- 3. In what ways do you see power, prestige, and possessions abused in our culture? In what ways does that shape our cultural priorities?
- 4. Nebuchadnezzar and Belshazzar both suffered from pride. How are they similar and/or different?
- 5. Think about the areas of your life where you have the most influence, power, and prestige. What would it look like for you to treat those areas like a temporary stewardship from God for which you are accountable?
- 6. What is one thing you can do this week to remind your pride that you are just a steward of God's blessings? How can this group help you follow through?

# **Do Life Together**

Complete the following individually. Then, if you feel comfortable, share some of your answers with the group and chart a path forward together.

Circle the things you sometimes have trouble doing: (1) apologizing, (2) admitting you're wrong, (3) asking for help, (4) celebrating other's success, (5) admitting you don't know something, (6) being honest with yourself or others, (7) learning new things, (8) losing, or (9) not having the final word.