

THE PURIFYING POWER OF LIVING BY FAITH IN... **FUTURE GRACE**

Study Guide

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Chapter 6 Faith in Future Grace vs. Pride

The Shadow of God

1. Explain your understanding of the statement, “ In fact you might say that humility follows God like a shadow.”

An Appetite for God in the Heart

2. How are believing that Jesus is the life-giving water and bread of life is not enough for salvation? What must be done in order to make that happen?

Turning from Satisfaction in God to Satisfaction in Self

3. Define unbelief and pride. What is the antidote for these?

4. What does turning away from God presume and assume?

God's Great Competitors

5. What are God's great competitors? Why?

When Knowledge Puffs Up

6. Does Paul's writing favor ignorance and irrationality? How do we know this?

7. What does boasting in our own wisdom show about us?

Blowing the Bubble of our Resources

8. How do we tend to do this today?

God Will Not Share His Glory with the Proud

9. What is the antidote to taking pride in something God did, by claiming credit for it?

When the Proud Eat Grass Like an Ox

10. What was the antidote for Nebuchadnezzar's pride? How did his attitude change?

Why Boast as if it were not a Gift?

11. Along side wisdom and might what is perhaps the greatest tempter to pride? Why?

12. What is needed even more than the money that people use to buy things for their defense and self sufficiency?

The Ultimate Pride: Atheism

13. The safest way to stay supreme in our own estimation is to what? What is making ourself supreme a form of?

How?

The Itch of Self-Regard and the Scratch of Approval

14. Explain how Matthew 23: 5-7 describes this section perfectly.

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The Void in Self-Sufficiency

15. Using John 5:44 Explain how itching for glory really makes faith impossible.

The Irony of Weak Pride

16. Is this an oxymoron? Then why not?

17. How does the fact of things having not gone well in the past carry over into anxiety about the future?

The Camouflaged Pride of Anxiety

18. What was God telling Israel in Isaiah 51:12-13?

19. Why is anxiety about the future a form of pride?

20. Read 1 Peter 5:6-7, Why is casting our cares on the Lord NOT pride?

21. Per Jeremiah 9:23-24 What should we boast in?