

Life Focus: God wants us to be humble, not proud.

Use one of the following activities to help your students illustrate pride and humility with specific, present-day situations.

QUICK STEP Scenarios

Divide your class into four groups. Have everyone turn to page 30 in the student book. Assign each group one of the four scenarios. As instructed on the student page, each group should come up with two skits. The first skit should demonstrate how the situation would happen if the person in the scenario acted selfish and proud. The second skit should demonstrate how that same situation would be different if the person acted selfless and humble.

Allow the groups time to work, and then have the groups perform their skits. Then ask: **Do you know anyone who has faced similar situations to what is described here in the book? Did they respond with pride or humility? How would you respond in these same situations?** Lead into the final lesson step by saying: **We all are tempted to be more prideful than we should be. Let's look at what we can do to increase our own humility.**

News Analysis

Divide your class into small groups, giving each a section of a newspaper. Ask them to do the following: **Find an article about someone who has a great blessing (power, wealth, talent, etc.). Determine whether the person is using that blessing with pride or with humility. Retell the same story, showing the person using that blessing with the opposite trait.**

Help groups with their assignments as necessary. They may find an article about a sports figure using his ability to demand a huge salary. They may retell the story, having the sports figure giving his time to visit children's hospitals. A computer expert may use knowledge to create a damaging virus, but that same person might use that knowledge to write a program to improve education.

When assignments are complete, have groups report. **If you had the abilities or opportunities that the people in these articles had, would you be tempted to use them selfishly for your personal gain?** Lead into the final lesson step by saying: **We all are tempted to be more prideful than we should be. Let's look at what we can do to increase our own humility.**

Time
20 minutes

drama

Materials
Young Teen Student



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20 minutes

report

Materials
several newspapers