

# A Servant's Heart: The Great Sin

## Life Steps | July 15 & 16, 2017

### **Monday**

### **Genesis 3**

The Garden story and the fall of humanity were predicated on pride and how Adam and Eve chose to go beyond God's provision. Do an honest assessment and think of at least one area of your life where you are going beyond God's provision for your life. What do you think is at the root of this desire?

### **Tuesday**

### **Proverbs 8:12-13**

Proverbs 8 tells us that wisdom hates pride and arrogance. What does it mean to you to say that "arrogance requires ignorance?"

### **Wednesday**

### **Proverbs 18:12**

This passage states that "before destruction, the heart of man is proud." This is a forewarning that our selfish pride precedes our pending destruction. What areas of your life do you tend to boast about?

### **Thursday**

### **Judges 15**

In this chapter, we witness Samson's pride leading him to be defiant of God. These actions were preceded by his feelings of superiority over humanity and his inability to connect with his family and friends. What are some of your obstacles or walls that keep you from connecting with your family and friends?

### **Friday**

### **Judges 16**

Part of Samson's downfall was that he was surrounded by people who never challenged him. Take a moment to think about your "inner-circle." Who are the people that are in this circle for you? Do these people challenge you or do they blindly support whatever you say or do? Do they genuinely hold you accountable to the person you are trying to become?

### **Saturday**

### **Matthew 5:38-42**

Jesus gives us an example of what humble servanthood looks like in this passage. He teaches us that even under oppression, we should still serve with humility. Every day, there is an opportunity to serve someone. For today's life step, write about how someone has served you today and how that impacted you.

### **Sunday**

### **Matthew 22:36-40**

Even though we have changed to a new series, the great commandment is still something we need to carry with us. As you come to church today, think about this commandment and the need to serve others. Also, be aware that at least one person you see today at church will be having the worst day of their life. Look to serve these people through friendly conversations and genuine connection.