

# Sermon Notes

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## LIFE LESSONS FROM THE WORD

**Struggle and strife**...why? What causes the strife and struggles and conflicts of life, Solomon gives us a clue here in this proverb, **“Where there is strife, there is pride, but wisdom is found in those who take advice”** (Pr. 13:10, NIV).

Ever met or been that person that acts and speaks as if they have all the answers and won't listen to anyone? I have and have been that person, but as God has shaped me and humbled me I try to now be the person that listens. But I have noticed some things as I have been around some very intelligent people, and the smartest of these people were always the ones with humble hearts. Those that were prideful, may have been as smart, but because of their pride they would create problems rather than solutions, mainly because they thought they had all the answers.

Pride keeps one from taking advice even when it is in their best interest, “pride before the fall” kind of thing. Pride is what God hates, because it is what has separated mankind from Him. The conflict will always be there when pride is in one's life. But as one learns humility things begin to change.

Humility will open doors to wisdom, and with pride out of the way one begins to listen and find a better more peaceful way, God's way. This does not mean that conflict will never occur, but what it does mean when it does occur one is not so full of himself as to not seek the advice of the wise, of God. **“Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will lift you up”**...(1 Pet. 5:5, NIV).

Blessings, PD