



Video Session

Pride is almost impossible to see in the mirror.

It diminishes our capacity to admit, to apologize, and to acknowledge.

Pride diminishes our capacity to:

- Say what needs to be said
- Hear what needs to be heard
- Give what needs to be given

The invitation to follow Jesus is an invitation to unfollow pride.

Pride says, "Wait." Jesus says, "Initiate."

Team Discussion Questions

1. In the context of work, what do you sometimes have trouble doing?

- Apologizing
- Admitting you're wrong
- Asking for help
- Celebrating others' success
- Admitting you don't know something
- Listening without offering advice
- Not having the final word
- Owning up to mistakes, errors, or failures

2. Andy said pride is almost impossible to see in the mirror. What does it masquerade as in you?

(Hint: What is your excuse for not doing the things listed above?)

Expertise	Decisiveness	Humor/Sarcasm
Confidence	Intelligence	Independence
Perfectionism	Authority	Busyness

3. Think of a recent project your team tried that didn't go well.

How did pride trip you up before or during the project?

(Example: We made assumptions and never checked them by gathering data or asking for feedback.)

How did pride affect the way you processed the failure?

(Example: *We never assessed what went wrong because we were embarrassed.*)

4. Andy summed up Jesus' message of radical humility as: **Pride says, "Wait." Jesus says, "Initiate."**
What is one way you may need to "initiate" with a work colleague?

- Apologize (even though it was mostly his fault)
- Arrive on time (even though your calendar is packed)
- Ask for advice (even though that means admitting you messed up last time)
- Write a thank you note (even though she's been unreliable lately)
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What is one way your team may need to "initiate"?

- Celebrate their success (even though it makes you feel *less than*)
- Invite their collaboration (even though that will require compromise)
- Be open-handed with your expertise (even though that may help them "win")
- Serve them (even though you have other important things to do)
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