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# **GOD-GIVEN WORTH**

**The Bible tells you what you need to know about God and yourself. Some books show you how to feel good about yourself. They say, “Believe in yourself and you can do anything.” But believing in yourself is not enough. You must believe in God first.**

**In this LIFEPAK® you will study what the Bible says about who God is and how God sees you. A good understanding of how God sees you will help you see yourself correctly.**

**You will learn about how God made you and cares for you. You will see how you are related to God. God wants you for His child. You can call God your Father only when you have Jesus in your heart and life. Learning about your relationship to God, and how Jesus can change it, will help you better understand your true worth. You will learn that you were meant to be of value to others by helping them.**

## Objectives

**Read these objectives.** The objectives tell you what you will be able to do when you have successfully completed this LIFEPAK. Each section will list according to the numbers below what objectives will be met in that section. When you have finished this LIFEPAK, you should be able to:

1. Tell why God does not want you to have a proud heart.
2. Say the given Bible verses.
3. Explain why you are important to God.
4. Name some ways that God made you like Himself.
5. Tell why God gives us what we need.
6. Explain what it means to be adopted by God.
7. Tell how God feels toward you.
8. Explain what you can do to glorify God.
9. Write a summary of the story of David and Goliath.
10. Tell about your relationship with God through Jesus.



# 1. WHO AM I?

Boys, girls, and grown people sometimes wonder who they are and why they are here. The best way to answer this question is to start where the Bible starts. In the beginning was God. God was always there. God created the world and man. The Bible tells how man was made to **glorify** God. God and man were very close. Adam and Eve's sin separated them from God. Instead of thinking of God and obeying Him in all things, people began to think more of themselves. God loved His children so much that He prepared a way for them to come back to Him. God loves you. He has made it possible for you to be close to Him and have the wisdom and **worth** of a child of God.

## Objectives

**Review these objectives.** When you have completed this section, you should be able to:

1. Tell why God does not want you to have a proud heart.
2. Say the given Bible verses.
3. Explain why you are important to God.

## Vocabulary

**Study these new words.** Learning the meanings of these words is a good study habit and will improve your understanding of this LIFE PAC.

**Aesop** (i' sop). A writer of fables who lived in ancient Greece.

**boast** (bōst). To brag about oneself.

**corporal** (kôr' pur ul). An army officer who is one rank higher than a private.

**fable** (fā' bul). A story made up to teach a lesson.

**fast** (fast). To go without food.

**glorify** (glôr' u fī). To praise, honor, and worship.

**moral** (môr' ul). The lesson that a story teaches.

**parable** (par' u bul). A short story used to teach some truth or lesson.

**Pharisee** (far' u sē). A member of a Jewish religious group.

**pride** (prīd). A feeling of pleasure and satisfaction with oneself.

**Temple** (tem' pul). A building used for worship.

**tithe** (tīth). One tenth.

**worth** (wèrth). Good or important enough for.

**worthless** (werth' lis). Good-for-nothing.

**Note:** All vocabulary words in this LIFEPAC appear in **boldface** print the first time they are used. If you are unsure of the meaning when you are reading, study the definitions given.

**Pronunciation Key:** hat, āge, cāre, fār; let, ēqual, tèrm; it, īce; hot, ōpen, ôrder; oil; out; cup, pūt, rüle; child; long; thin; /FH/ for then; /zh/ for measure; /u/ or /ə/ represents /a/ in about, /e/ in taken, /i/ in pencil, /o/ in lemon, and /u/ in circus.

## What Kind of Person Am I?



Read Proverbs 21:4; Luke 18:10-14; and Matthew 10:29-31.

You do not see yourself as God sees you because you cannot see and think as God does. Studying the Bible can help you to think more as God wants you to. Learning how God looks at you will help you find out more about yourself. Then you can learn how God wants you to feel and think about yourself.

**Proud of who I am. Pride** is one of the feelings that people often have about themselves. Other people feel **worthless**. You will learn why God does not want you to have feelings of pride or worthlessness.

You can show or feel pride in many ways.

Thinking that you are too good to do

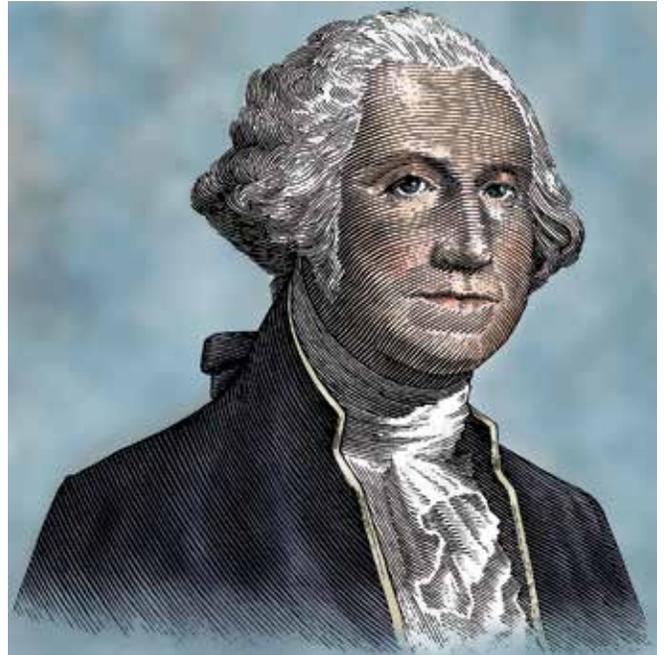
certain jobs is having a proud heart. You are proud when you think or say that you are better or smarter than other people. You might be proud and **boast** because of your family. Some people are proud of their possessions.

Sometimes people think they are better than someone else. Do you ever try to make another person look or feel bad? Do you ever say unkind words about someone? Thinking that you are better than another person is wrong. Proud people have trouble showing God's love.

A story is told about a **corporal** who was giving orders to his soldiers. The soldiers were building a fort. The corporal kept shouting at the men, but he did not help them.

A man on horseback came riding by. He jumped off his horse and helped the soldiers. When he was ready to leave, the man asked the corporal, "Why did you not help them?" "Because I am a corporal!" he answered.

The man got back on his horse, and said to the corporal, "My name is George Washington. I will be glad to help your soldiers anytime with any work that you are too proud to do."



| George Washington

The corporal knew that this man on horseback was not too proud to do the work of a common soldier.

A man much greater than George Washington did the work of a carpenter. His name was Jesus. Jesus was not too proud to leave heaven and come to earth as a little baby. Jesus was not too proud to live among poor people and call sinners His friends. He was not too proud to love, suffer, and die for us.

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**Complete these activities.**

**1.1** Why does God say it is wrong to have a proud heart? (Proverbs 21:4)

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**1.2** Give some examples of when you, or someone you know, has been too proud.

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**Answer these questions.**

**1.3** Do you think that George Washington was a good example to the corporal and to the other soldiers? Give reasons for your answer. \_\_\_\_\_

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1.4 Why do you think that Jesus did not have a proud heart?

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1.5 Should being important make a person proud? Why or why not?

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**Proud of what I can do.** “I can sing better than Judy can. I said the most Bible verses of anyone at camp. Boy, those other kids hardly did anything. I did all the work.” Do you sometimes talk or think this way? Thinking unkind words about someone is as bad as saying unkind words out loud. God tells us that we are what we think or feel in our hearts. If you think proudly or feel pride, then God says that you are proud.

A **parable** is a short story that is meant to teach a good lesson. Jesus often spoke in parables. In Luke chapter 18, Jesus tells a parable about a **Pharisee** who was proud. The Pharisees studied the Old Testament very carefully. They knew the words of the Old Testament very well, but they did not practice it in their hearts and lives.



| Pharisee

God gave men many laws which were written in the Old Testament. God also commanded men to love and obey Him. To love and obey God was better than doing all the things of the Law. The Pharisees added many practices to God’s Law, but their practices did not show that they loved God or other people.

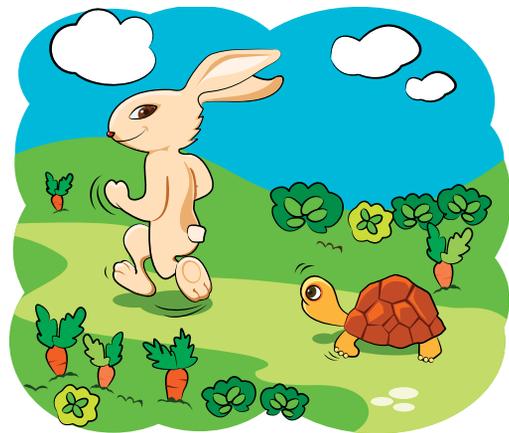
The Pharisee stood in the **Temple** where everyone could see and hear him. People were supposed to come to the Temple to worship God. Instead of worshiping God, the Pharisee began talking about all that *he* had done. He said that he spent much time counting out the tenth of everything he owned. He even measured out one-tenth of the herbs from his garden. The Pharisee knew God’s law about the **tithe**. The law said the people should give back to God at least one-tenth of everything that God had given to them. The Pharisee did not even tell the people that God had given him the things that he owned. He just boasted about what he was giving to God.

Then the Pharisee proudly declared that he **fasted** twice a week. Fasting is a good practice when it is done for God’s glory. God tells us when we fast, no one should know about it except ourselves and God.

The parable tells us that the Pharisee talked more about himself than he did about God. He boasted that he was not like other people who had done many sinful things.

The lessons we get from the Bible are the most useful to us because they are God’s Word. In the Bible, God tells us what He wants us to know and do.

Another kind of story that is written to teach a lesson is called a **fable**. Have you ever read a fable? The men who wrote fables were trying to show how greedy, proud, and foolish people sometimes are. In many fables, animals talk and act like people. At the end of each fable, a **moral** tells the meaning of the fable. Fables are not Bible stories. Fables are make-believe stories that teach a lesson.



| The hare and the tortoise

**Aesop** wrote fables many years ago. Aesop’s fable about the “Hare and the Tortoise” tells us that the hare, another name for rabbit, is very proud. He boasts about how fast he can run. When he races with a tortoise, land turtle, the hare is sure that he will win. He stops to take a nap. The slow tortoise passes the sleeping hare and wins the race.



**Write the correct word in the blank.**

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Pharisee

- 1.6** The \_\_\_\_\_ thanked God that he was better than other men.
- 1.7** The \_\_\_\_\_ boasted about how much he gave to God.



**Write true or false.**

- 1.8** \_\_\_\_\_ The hare won the race because he knew that he was the better runner.
- 1.9** \_\_\_\_\_ The tortoise stopped to take a nap.
- 1.10** \_\_\_\_\_ The tortoise did his best and won the race.
- 1.11** \_\_\_\_\_ The tortoise was proud.



**Complete this activity.**

- 1.12** Write an original fable about pride. Use animal characters in your fable. Write a moral at the end of the fable. Reading some different fables will help you in writing your own.



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# SELF TEST 1

**Answer true or false** (each answer, 2 points).

- 1.01 \_\_\_\_\_ George Washington stopped to help the soldiers.
- 1.02 \_\_\_\_\_ It is all right to think a bad thought about someone else.
- 1.03 \_\_\_\_\_ The Pharisees set a bad example.
- 1.04 \_\_\_\_\_ The Pharisees knew God well.
- 1.05 \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus told fables.
- 1.06 \_\_\_\_\_ Aesop wrote many fables.
- 1.07 \_\_\_\_\_ The Pharisees obeyed God in everything.
- 1.08 \_\_\_\_\_ God says that we are worthless.
- 1.09 \_\_\_\_\_ Moses obeyed God right away.
- 1.010 \_\_\_\_\_ God cares for us more than He cares for the birds.

**Match these items** (each answer, 3 points).

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|-------------|--------------------|--|
| 1.011 _____ | worthy             | a. Pharisee  |
| 1.012 _____ | boast              | b. Temple  |
| 1.013 _____ | obey               | c. spoke in parables                               |
| 1.014 _____ | kept the laws      | d. important and valuable                          |
| 1.015 _____ | a living soul      | e. fast  |
| 1.016 _____ | place of worship   | f. one-tenth of all you own                        |
| 1.017 _____ | tithe              | g. to praise oneself                               |
| 1.018 _____ | Moses              | h. wrote fables                                    |
| 1.019 _____ | to go without food | i. to do what you are told                         |
| 1.020 _____ | Jesus              | j. man   |
|             |                    | k. wrote the first five books of the Old Testament |

**Write the correct letter and the words on the blank** (each answer, 3 points).

**1.021** How does God feel about the sin of pride?

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- a. He hates it.
  - b. He understands it.
  - c. He loves it.

**1.022** "Fear not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows."

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- a. Mark 10:31
  - b. Matthew 10:31
  - c. Matthew 1:3

**1.023** Some people are proud because \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. God made them
- b. they love God and their neighbor
- c. of who they are and what they have

**1.024** What God wants most from you \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. Read your Bible
- b. Love and obedience
- c. Do your best

**1.025** Genesis 2:7 tells us that God formed man of \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. clay
- b. the dust of the earth
- c. animal bones

**Complete these statements** (each answer, 3 points).

**1.026** The lessons from the Bible are best because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

**1.027** Man became a living soul when \_\_\_\_\_.

**1.028** A \_\_\_\_\_ is not a Bible story.

**1.029** God created man for His \_\_\_\_\_.

**1.030** Jesus did not sin because He was obedient to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Answer these questions** (each answer, 5 points).

**1.031** What is a parable? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**1.032** What is a fable? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**1.033** Why are you important to God? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**1.034** Why do you think that Jesus did not have a proud heart?  
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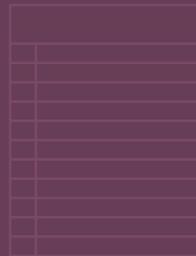
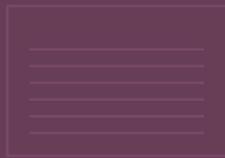
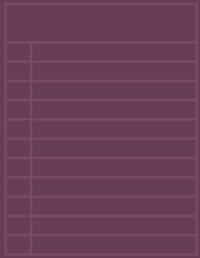
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