

Title: The Ravages Of Sinful Pride (or: Eagle Edom will come down!)

Text: 1:2-9

Main Idea: Pride leads to self-deception and terrible judgment from God.

Division Statements:

- 1. Pride trusts in human achievement (security and might), but God brings it to nothing (vv. 3b-4, 9a).**
- 2. Pride trusts in human resources (wealth and friends), but God steals them away (v. 6-7).**
- 3. Pride trusts in human reason (man's wisdom), but God shows it to be foolish (vv. 8).**
- 4. Pride makes one feel safe, but God brings the proud into judgment and total collapse (vv. 2, 5-6, 9).**

Note: How many men live every day just as the Edomites did. In their pride they exchange a humble dependence on God for what they believe they and others have done and can do. They never come to grips with the fact that it was God who blessed them with security, strength, wealth, friends and wisdom. They do not thank Him for these gifts or bow before Him in worship. How sad for those who live this way. Never exchange dependence on God for dependence on self, Beloved. Lest the fate of Edom overtake you.

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