

UNSWERVING AIM

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2 Corinthians 5:9-10 (9) *Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. (10) For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.*

There's a significant contrast between pride and humility. Because of exposure to the enemy and the world we live in, pride is inside us almost from birth. What is not part of us from birth, though, is humility. Spiritual humility is unmistakably a developed characteristic derived from contact with God and our choice to be humble before Him.

Here in 2nd Corinthians, the verses declare a reality we all face: We are accountable to the Creator for all our actions. We know that standing between God and us is an inwardly fabricated pride that, if allowed, will significantly hinder our wish to please Him. Meaning, pleasing Him in the form of total yielding.

We must realize that God's calling of us, His imparting of repentance to us, and His equipping us with His Spirit has given us a valuable power, or simply, an "edge." He has not presented us with an impossible challenge. Experiencing the Holy Spirit has given us the means, the powers, to meet our obligation to submit willingly to Him. What is the solution, you ask? In brief: it is to practice humility before the Holy of Holies, and in turn, that humble nature can defuse pride's power. I invite you this day, to truly, wholeheartedly, humble yourself before the Lord.

At His service,
Pr. Teddy Santos