

Proud People VS. Broken People

<u>Proud, Unbroken People</u>	<u>Broken People</u>
1. Focus on the failure of others.	1. Are overwhelmed with their own spiritual need (Matthew 5:3, 7:3-5, Luke 18:9-14).
2. Are self-righteous; have a critical, fault finding spirit; look at own life/faults with a telescope but others with a microscope.	2. Are compassionate; have a forgiving spirit; look for the best in others (Ephesians 4:32, Colossians 3:12).
3. Look down on others with a condescending spirit.	3. Esteem all others as better than themselves (Phil. 2:3, Rom. 12:10).
4. Are independent; have desires for everyone else to meet own personal needs.	4. Are dependent on God and His grace; recognize others' needs and seek to meet them (2 Cor. 3:4-6, Phil. 2:4),
5. Always manipulating circumstances to maintain control; must have everyone do it their way.	5. Surrenders control by giving freedom for others to do or see things differently (Rom. 12:1-2),
6. Have to prove they are always right.	6. Are willing to yield to the possibility that they could be wrong, and thus, yield the need to always prove they are right (Rom. 15:2).
7. Claiming personal rights.	7. Yielding personal rights (Eph. 5:21).
8. Display a demanding spirit.	8. Have a giving spirit (Rom. 12:13).
9. Self-protective of time, rights, and reputation.	9. Are self-denying (Luke 9:23).
10. Desire to be served.	10. Are motivated to serve others (Matt. 20:26-28, Phil. 2:20-21).
11. Desire to be always be successful and intolerant of failure for themselves and others.	11. Desire to be faithful to make others a success (John 3:30).
12. Desire for self-advancement.	12. Desire to promote others (John 3:3).
13. Are driven to be recognized and appreciated for things they do.	13. Have a sense of unworthiness; are thrilled to be used at all; eager for others to get credit, honor, and awards (I Tim. 1:12-16).
14. Cringe when others in the same field are praised, wishing it was them receiving the praise.	14. Rejoice when others are lifted up (Rom. 12:15).
15. Think 'the ministry is privileged to have me!'	15. Think 'I don't deserve to serve in this ministry' (2 Cor. 4:7).
16. Think of what they can do for God.	16. Know they can offer nothing to God, and seek for God to work through them in His power (Phil. 3:8-9, Titus 3:5).
17. Feel confident in how much they know.	17. Are humbled by how much they have not learned and wish to learn (Phil. 3:12, Prov. 1:7).
18. Are overly self-conscious and self-absorbed.	18. Have little concern with how others view them (Gal. 1:10).
19. Keep people at arm's length, lack of vulnerability.	19. Risk getting close to others; are willing to take those risks for the sake of loving others (2 Cor. 6:11-12).
20. Are quick to blame others.	20. Accept personal responsibility; can see and acknowledge personal failure (Matthew 7)
21. Are concerned with being 'respectable.'	21. Are concerned with being real (2 Cor. 4:3-5).
22. Are concerned about what others think.	22. Know all that matters is God and what He knows

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	(I Cor. 4:3-5).
23. Work hard to maintain image and protect reputation.	23. Die to own reputation (Phil. 3:7, Rom. 14:7).
24. Find it difficult to share their spiritual needs with others.	24. Are willing to be transparent with others (2 Cor. 1:12).
25. Want to be sure no one finds about about their sin.	25. Are willing to acknowledge and confess their sins; brokenness is the ultimate sign of personal success (Ps. 51:17).
26. Have a hard time saying, 'I was wrong. Will you forgive me?'	26. Are quick to admit fault and seek forgiveness (I John 1:9, James 5:1).
27. Deal in generalities when confessing sin.	27. Deal in specifics (Ps. 51:17).
28. Are concerned about the consequences of their sin	28. Are grived over the root of their sin (Ps. 51:5).
29. Wait for other party to come and ask forgiveness when a conflict occurs.	29. Take the initiative to be reconciled; respond first and seek forgiveness (Matthew 5:23-24).
30. Compare themselves with others and feel deserving of honor.	30. Compare themselves with God and feel desparate for mercy (Luke 18:9-14).
31. Are blind to their true heart condition.	31. Walk in the light of true knowledge concerning their own hearts (I John 1:6-7).
32. Do not display any spirit of repentance, because they don't need it.	32. Continually display a spirit of repentance, sensing their need for fresh encounters with God and the filling of the Holy Spirit (Eph. 5;18, Gal 5:16).
33. Spent time reading these words and wondering if _____ was reading it	33. Thanked the Lord for using words on the internet to bring brokenness to their lives.