

## Pride as Man

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Here on earth, children naturally long for their parents even when they are separated for only few days. This human tendency comes from the original nature of man; we are longing for that one parent of mankind, God. This inseparable relationship must be reestablished because man cannot bear the loneliness of being separated from God.

When you consider this, man has something to be proud of. What is it? The supreme pride of man in the world of perfection is to have God as father. To be able to say "God is my father; Almighty God is my father!" is the greatest pride of man. You know God is your father, don't you?

Man's second most supreme source of pride is that he can say "I can possess the love of God; I can monopolize the love of God." And man's third source of pride in the world of perfection is that he can say "I can inherit God's kingdom. I can inherit everything that my father has." All God possesses becomes your own possessions. God's intention was that He and man would dwell as father and son, and that He would dwell together with His son's family. The Kingdom of God would be inhabited by the children of God. A God-centered culture and tradition would be born, so that the history of God would last through eternity. That was the original ideal of God.

Today, where are mankind's desires, ambitions and hopes concentrated? Mankind's supreme desire is to become the sons and daughters of God. Secondly, man desires to possess the love of God, and thirdly, man longs to inherit God's kingdom, everything that God has. There is no greater hope for man than to fulfill these three desires.