

**“Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.
(Proverbs 16:19)
With The Lowly**

Wikipedia, defines 'hubris' as “extreme pride or arrogance”. Hubris often indicates a loss of contact with reality and an overestimation of one's own competence or capabilities, especially when the person exhibiting it, is in a position of power.

The word was also used to describe actions of those who challenged the gods or their laws, especially in Greek tragedy, resulting in the protagonist's fall.

“Seest thou how God with his lightning smites always the bigger animals, and will not suffer them to wax insolent, while those of a lesser bulk chafe him not? How likewise his bolts fall ever on the highest houses and the tallest trees? So plainly does He love to bring down everything that exalts itself. Thus oftentimes a mighty host is discomfited by a few men, when God in his jealousy sends fear or storm from heaven, and they perish in a way unworthy of them. For God allows no one to have high thoughts but Himself.”

Herodotus, Histories Book 7

Interestingly hubris or extreme pride was the reason behind Lucifer's fall and all the world has suffered since his fall.

“Thy pomp is brought down to the grave. How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.” Isaiah 14:11-15

This was the case from the beginning and carries right on through to the second coming of Jesus with the son of perdition, the anti-christ, the Devil incarnate, again being guilty of hubris, extreme pride, in his desire to be God.

“That day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.(2 Thessalonians 2:3-4)

Just to once again reiterate God's position on the matter of hubris;

"The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate." (Proverbs 8:13)

"Only by pride cometh contention (wars?)." (Proverbs 13:10)

"In ancient Rome generals and emperors who had won a great victory over one of Rome's enemies received on their return a triumphal procession through the city's streets. In the procession were slaves and captives, carts loaded with plunder, ranks of marching soldiers and jaunty cavalry...

Always in this triumph a slave stood in the chariot behind the victorious general. Over the general's head he held a garland of laurel, signifying victory. Into the general's ear the slave repeatedly whispered a caveat: 'All glory is fleeting. All glory is fleeting.'"