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THE FOLLY OF OUR PRIDEFUL WAYS

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Outer conflict grows from our inward condition.

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Many offenses are related to unmet expectations.

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Ineffective prayers can be caused by selfish wills.

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Using God for gain reveals unfaithfulness to Him.

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Disloyalty to The Lord connects to worldly lovings.

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Blinded by selfish desires, we forget He loves us.

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Not turning from pridefulness, we forfeit His grace.

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Submitting to His authority gives us spiritual power.

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Humbling ourselves before The Lord blesses us.