

## **Pride**

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It's hard to avoid what the culture wants us to see. As we have social media and other outlets running around us 24/7 you have to be living under a rock or off the grid to not see it in some form or fashion. Since the start of this month there has been a mass undertaking of making everyone aware that it is "Pride" month by our media overlords. Corporations are raising their rainbow flags in solidarity to the wokeness of our culture. It's in our face and unavoidable.

I find it rather interesting that a symbol God used to promise to never again flood the earth (Genesis 9:12-16) is being misused to promote sin itself. God punished the people because they were doing the very thing that our culture is currently sliding into. The sin of homosexuality is nothing new and our culture today is glorifying it and has pirated the beautiful rainbow for its own evil ideologies. The ironic thing about using God's symbol to represent "Pride month" is that pride in of itself is sinful (Mark 7:21-23). Being prideful has always been a sin people have struggled with and if the culture can convince you that being prideful is ok, that then opens the door for sin of all kinds being acceptable.

As we read in chapter 6 of Genesis, the people of Noah's day were prideful and unrepentant of their sins. However Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord (Gen. 6:8) and did as the Lord commanded. In this crazy world today we must be like Noah and find favor in His sight. The world around us wants us to see the rainbow as something that it is not. Let's continue to think of God and His loving promises every time we see the rainbow flag. How He promised to never flood the earth again. We must not let the world steal the Almighty's symbols for their own but in love teach people what it really means. God uses His creation everyday to remind us of His mighty power, His love and His grace. This month we can use this opportunity of the rainbow flag to tell people about the Lord and His Son, to tell them what it really means. As God's people let's take what the world gives us, and use it to His glory.