Hubris and pride can be difficult vices to avoid. It is the most common human vice, and a favorite subject of authors of literature and writers of screenplays. Even otherwise heroic and virtuous persons, such as Douglas MacArthur, can fall prey to the temptations of pride.

**Directions**

Identify a time in your life in which you have shown hubris or excessive pride. What effect did it have on yourself and others?

How would you act more humbly in the same situation? How can you avoid the temptation to be prideful in the future? How can you make humility a habit?

“...I shall return!”

–DOUGLAS MACARTHUR REGARDING THE BATTLE OF THE PHILIPPINES MARCH, 20 1942