1.	What does John Piper mean by Future Grace?
2.	Read <u>Jeremiah 9:23-24.</u> a) What are the three great competitors for the boast of the human heart. How do these three competitors tempt us to take sanctification in ourselves?
	b) Is all boasting wrong?
	c) Consider <u>Luke 12:15-20</u> : What is the purpose of the wise man boasting in his wisdom, the mighty man in his strength, and the rich man in his riches? What do wisdom, strength, and riches seem to guarantee for the future?
	d) Consider <u>1 Corinthians 4:7</u> : Is God saying here, "The wise man must not boast of his wisdom because he's not wise"?
	e) Is there a type of boasting in one's knowledge of the Lord that IS prideful? Why is the boasting in one's knowledge of the Lord here NOT prideful? How does a proper boasting in the Lord kill pride, rather than feed it?

	f) What does this have to do with <u>future grace</u> ? Think particularly about your answer to part c and the last two clauses of verse 24.
3.	Why does Piper say faith and pride are opposites? (p. 37-38). In what sense is pride a specific form of unbelief (39)?
4.	Piper says, "Pride lies at the root of every turning from God" (p. 39). Why does he say this? Apply this to a specific example: If a man turns from God and from his wife and begins to have an affair, in what sense is pride (and not lust) at the root of this turning?
5.	In what sense are self-pity and anxiety other examples of turning from God that have pride at the root? (p. 50-51)
6.	6) Is the cause and effect on pp 51 from 1 Peter 5:6-7 helpful? How is the similar to the emptying ourselves from the Sermon on the Mount? Compare 1 Peter 5:6-7 with Matthew 5:3 – What traits must we posses as loyal disciples of Christ? What is the impact of this posture on Future Grace?