



Review: Introduction to Polemic; All Sin & Have Trends; Facilitated Trends Create Tragic Flaws & Lead One down the Road to Ruin through the 3 Arrogant Skills

11. Self-centeredness causes a person to become subjective and place an over-emphasis on self and one's own opinions. This results in either tuning out the communication of doctrine or failing to apply it to the details of life.
12. Self-confidence enables a person to become objective toward the exigencies of life from the viewpoint of doctrinal reality.
13. Therefore, all people have trends, but doctrine is designed to enable the positive to engage in trend management. Believers with tragic flaws develop behavior patterns and character traits that are facilitated. Those who have reached this point cannot be trusted.
14. Unbelievers have behavior patterns and character traits based on human viewpoint, human good, and evil. These are in opposition to divine viewpoint, divine good, and grace. Such people cannot be trusted.
15. Consequently, every individual is different. All propensities toward sin emanate from the sinful nature located in every cell of the body.
16. Every person is susceptible to every category of the lust pattern but only those developed by volition become highly operational. Some are introduced to circumstances that allow certain trends to be entertained and ultimately decided upon.
17. Others may not be so led but instead develop an affinity for an entirely different kind of sin.
18. Thus, all have trends but not all have tragic flaws nor are they engaged in chronic carnality or advanced reversionism.
19. Doctrine is designed to enable a person under the power of the Holy Spirit to withstand his trends and when they fail to do so to recover through rebound and continued inculcation of biblical truth.