

# CHILDREN'S CORNER



Boys and girls, I'm sure you've heard the expression, "As proud as a peacock."

To begin with, the name 'peacock' actually only applies to the male birds; the females are called 'peahens', and collectively they are called 'peafowl'. They are very beautiful creatures, but the male birds are much more striking, especially when they spread out their brightly coloured fan of tail feathers.



his voice. Rather than sweet birdsong or upbeat chirping, all you will ever hear is a harsh, hard, squawking noise.

Knowing what a peacock looks and sounds like, makes the expression 'proud as a peacock' a very apt one, especially when it is used to describe people who go around showing off in a very loud mouthed manner. Such behaviour is not very pleasing to God. The Bible says that 'God resisteth the proud'. In Mark 7, the Saviour spoke of certain things in the heart of men that will defile their lives. Uppermost among these things is undoubtedly the awful sin of pride.

There are only two types of peacocks in the world, the Java Green and the Blue Indian, originally from far eastern lands, but today found all over the world. King Solomon introduced them to the royal palace in Jerusalem, no doubt to add to the beauty of his majestic gardens.

When a 'peacock' spreads out his feathers, he seems to do so with great pride, as he lifts and sweeps his tail back and forth. The only thing that spoils such an unusual display of beauty and colour is the sound of

God wants us to humbly turn away from all such sin and seek him for forgiveness. Although God, 'resisteth the proud' the little verse in 1 Peter 5 goes on to say that He also 'giveth grace unto the humble'. Will you come to Him, humbly confessing your sins, and looking to Christ for salvation? Then He will surely receive you!

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1 Peter 5:5

## Quiz: "Watch the birdie!"

Look up the references to find the names of various birds Then put your answers in the grid provided. Take the first letter of each of your answers and spell out a terrible sin

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- This bird was hunted in the mountains. (1 Samuel 26:20)
- These birds were fed by God. (Luke 12:24)
- This bird found no rest for the soul of her foot. (Genesis 8:9)
- This bird had long wings, was full of feathers and had lots of colour. (Ezekiel 17:3)

Answer:

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## PRIZES!

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