## Unmasking the Vice of Vainglory Or, How to Share your Virtue without Showing Off

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- I. Vainglory: an unfamiliar name, but an embarrassingly familiar face
- II. Glory: a good thing gone bad
  - a. "Goodness made manifest"
  - b. For "vain" or empty things: fakery, fluff, and evil stuff
  - c. Glorying "in vain": secular and sacred glory seekers, imaginary audiences
- III. Roots of Vainglory
  - a. Pride: glory-worthy selves
  - b. Hybrid cases...the downward spiral
  - c. Fear: glory-needy selves
- IV. The Damage

Communication, cover-up, and community

- V. Practices of Resistance
  - a. Go to the graveyard
  - b. Confessions
  - c. Silence (an exercise)
  - d. Solitude
- VI. From Vainglory to Virtue
  - a. Augustine's sermon: a culture of good glory?
  - b. Gifts and Gratitude: how to let your light shine



