

# The Enemy - People's Opinions

## John 12:42-43, John 2:23-25

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*"he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool"* (Hebrews 10:13).

#### People's Opinions Are Dangerous

*"Fools find no pleasure in understanding but delight in airing their own opinions"* (Proverbs 18:2).

They can paralyze you.

*"The fear of human opinion disables; trusting in God protects you from that"* (Proverbs 29:25 MSG).

They can leave you feeling confused.

*"Jesus turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns'"* (Matthew 16:23).

They are based on outward appearance.

*"Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart"* (1 Samuel 16:7).

#### People's Opinions Are Hostile to God

*"The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so"* (Romans 8:7).

*"many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things"* (Philippians 3:18-19).

Our appetites

Our glory

Our possessions

Jesus has victory over people's hostility!

*"For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!"* (Romans 5:10).

#### Whose Opinion Are You Seeking?

*"they loved human praise more than praise from God"* (John 12:43).

*"You will live by the sword and you will serve your brother. But when you grow restless, you will throw his yoke from off your neck"* (Genesis 27:40).

Whose opinion about you do you need to shake off?

*"Our purpose is to please God, not people. He alone examines the motives of our hearts"* (1 Thessalonians 2:4, NLT).



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Welcome to Living Creek!

It's a joy to have you worshiping with us.

Helping people follow Jesus

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CHRISTIAN CHURCH

## TODAY

It's **Coffee Corner Sunday!** Join us for fellowship in the Church Office between services

This month, we would like to encourage you to lift up in prayer our partners at **American Border Ministries**. Located in Eagle pass, TX, this group is working with Iglesia de Cristo training pastors to minister in Latino churches on the border. We specifically pray for Phyllis Garza, the late Ranulfo's wife, as she continues his ministry legacy. More information can be found on our website under the Ministries tab.

Remember, you can check out the **building parameters** for our next location at [livingcreek.org/our-future](http://livingcreek.org/our-future).

## LOOKING AHEAD

Come join us for the next **Prayer Night** at The Well on **Tuesday, April 1** at **7 PM**.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**The Well** does not meet **TONIGHT**.

Registration for **Summer Camps at Little Galilee** is open! We're going to **HS1 Main June 22-27** and **JH3 Main July 6-11**. By using code **LCCC75D** when registering, you will save \$75 and your cost will be \$155 for the entire week. A \$30 down payment will hold your spot. Go to [littlegalilee.org/](http://littlegalilee.org/) registration to register **NOW! Only boys spots are available for HS1 Main. There is a waiting list for girls.**

## FINANCIAL UPDATES

Our weekly budgeted need for the General Fund is \$9,560. The average weekly giving for February was \$10,270. The Greater Things fund balance is \$549,585.

## SERVING OPPORTUNITY

**Thank you** to those who have offered to write cards! We are still looking for individuals to make phone calls, or visit people in need. Write **"Shut-in Ministry"** on your Communication Card and someone from the Church Office will contact you.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Smart Phone & Tablet Users** can follow today's message and scriptures on the **Bible** app. Click on More > Events and Search for Living Creek to follow along.

Have you joined our online directory: **Church Community Builder (CCB)?** Visit [livingcreek.ccbchurch.com](http://livingcreek.ccbchurch.com) to take a look!

### The Lord's Supper

If you are a Christian, we invite you to join us in receiving the Lord's Supper (gluten-free communion is available). There are two stations in the back of the room. We use a two-cup system. The bottom cup contains the bread and the top cup contains the juice.



### Giving

*We also invite you to continue in worship with your giving as a sign of support for our ministry. You may mail in or drop off your gifts at the Church Office. Online giving is available by scanning the QR code or via our website at [livingcreek.org](http://livingcreek.org) > Contribute.*

### What's your Next Step?

Find it at [livingcreek.org](http://livingcreek.org) > Welcome > Your Next Step.



Our **Online Communication Card** is now available! Do you have a **prayer request, praise or comment?** Are you ready to take your **next step?** Would you like more information about **baptism or membership?** We'd love to hear from you! Scan the QR code to connect with us.

### Worship Service Experiences

- **Livestreaming** at 9:30 AM on YouTube
- **Online** at [livingcreek.org](http://livingcreek.org)
- **Children's Worship Service** at 11 AM (Birth - 5th grade) at The Wave, 4854 W Court ST, Monee
- **Worship Service** at 9:30 & 11 AM at The Well, 4840 W Court ST, Monee

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