Fear of Man

The term "fear of man" refers to fearing what others think of you. "Shy," "self-conscious," or "people pleasing" are other ways that people often speak about the concern for what others are thinking or saying about them. Many people live their lives seeking recognition and/or praise from others. This is "fear of man." The following study will help you to identify how God wants you to perceive the opinions of others.

- 1) Before you begin this study, pause and bow before the throne of God, asking Him to illuminate your eyes, revealing to you wondrous things from His Word (Ps 119:18).
- 2) Next, locate and read the following passages, noting the answer to the question: "How does God want me to view the opinions of others?"
- 3) Finally answer the question at the bottom of the page.

Jn 12:42-43

Prov 29:25

Matt 23:5-7

Gal 1:10

Col 3:23-24

Lk 12:4-5

Acts 5:29

I Thess 2:4

3) "What changes do I need to make in the area of fearing what others think of me?"