

Woe to the poor soul who becomes a stringed puppet of popularity. Woe to the church or the Christian who desires to be well thought of by the world. The modern progressive church philosophy that believes the world or the worldly need first to "like" us before they will listen to us must think more highly of opinions than truth. Today more people "like" that abortion is an available option. More and more people according in surveys and polls say they "like" drugs, or drink, or marijuana. It appears from tracking cookies that millions of people in the US "like" pornography, (woe on us). Christians "like" casual church, loud praise and worship music, and in one church in Florida and one in Michigan they "like" cage fighting and their church tattoo parlor respectively.

Political correctness is peer pressure on steroids. Ancient Rome was the first to invent and use the "thumbs –up" to spare a gladiator's life or a "thumbsdown" to dispatch him and clear the arena for the next event. The crowd gave Jesus Christ the "thumbs-down" when they shouted "crucify, crucify." Daniel ignored the political "like" button and bowed to pray as he did afore time. The Bibles Seers suffered at the Who does not like to be liked? Being unliked is not only unpleasant, it also can be dangerous to your health or position. The little thumbs-up "like" symbol is latest collectible and emotional validator and barometer of self-worth.

We live in the age of surveys and polls. Every day we can read the approval rating of political candidates or political parties. One day everyone "likes" candidate "A" and tomorrow they like candidate "B" more. Young adults post their biography on Christian Mingle dot Com or Match Book and hope a lot of people "like" them. Children and teens are devastated if they are not "friended" on FaceBook and have even committed suicide if they are "dissed" on the internet or feel "friendless." Many young people will gladly have the "wrong friends" rather than having no friends.



hand of their Peers. Jeremiah was put in a hole because of his holiness. The rowdy majority gave a hearty "thumbsup" to the golden calf.

We cannot serve two masters, or ten masters or a million masters. There is only one "like" that we need. It is not the opinion of men but the approval of



God. What does God think about this, that or the other thing? If we stand with God, it may appear that we are all by our self and alone. We are not. The goal is not to be liked, but to be like Him for when God made us, He made us in His likeness.