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For *WECO FM 101.3* and [The Fellowship Room](#)

6-8-2015 Are You Double-Minded?

Prayers from a doubting heart don't work.

For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; *he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways* (**James 1:7-8**).

We cannot pray to God and doubt Him at the same time!

Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us (**1 John 5:14**).

According to **Acts 9:9, 11**, Saul of Tarsus spent three days praying and fasting in blindness, but he had no confidence that he was saved until he was told to "Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord" (**Acts 22:16**). In **Acts 9:18**, "He arose and was baptized."

Are you sure you're saved?

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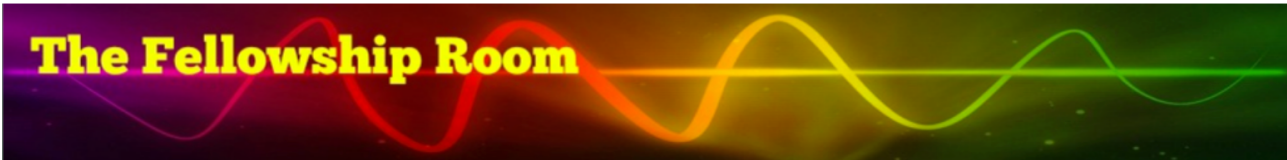
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**6-9-2015                    Are You Double-Tongued?**

Many people praise God and curse mankind with the same tongue.

With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God. Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so (**James 3:9-10**).

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It is only because God, not Evolution, created us that humans should be treated with a dignity above animals. People who say, "Pets are humans, too," have elevated animals to having the image of God, and that is idolatry! They have:

... Exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever (**Romans 1:25**).

Because baptism washes away sins (**Acts 22:16**), it is not for animals!

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6-10-2015 Real "Child Abuse"

Jesus Christ said:

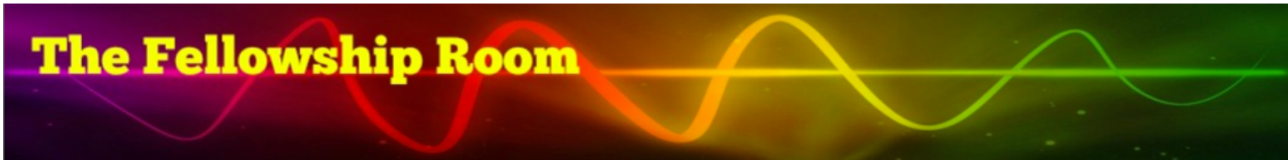
"Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God" (**Mark 10:14**).

When children were brought to Jesus:

He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them (**Mark 10:16**).

If "child abuse" is doing something wrong to children, then what about parents who abuse their child's heart and soul by setting bad examples of: drug & alcohol abuse, disregarding marriage with their dating and divorce, smoking and spitting tobacco, filthy language, and immoral television programs and movies?

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If "child neglect" is not doing what is right to children, then what about parents who keep their children from Jesus Christ and His Christian followers?

Remember now your Creator in the days of your youth
(**Ecclesiastes 12:1**).

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**6-11-2015                      Are You Double-Hearted?**

David said:

"Help, LORD, for the godly man ceases! For the faithful disappear from among the sons of men. They speak idly everyone with his neighbor; With flattering lips and a double heart they speak" (**Psalm 12:1-2**).

In this day of "political correctness," right-words are shouted down and right-actions are condemned. The "godly" and "faithful" may resort to idle speech and flattery "with his neighbor," hiding within his heart the knowledge of what is right and the fact he is wrong. This "double heart" is one of sin, guilt, and misery. Christians should pray:

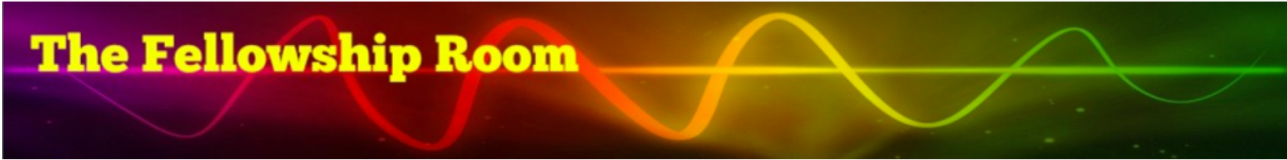
Do not take me away with the wicked And with the workers of iniquity, Who speak peace to their neighbors, But evil is in their hearts (**Psalm 28:3**).

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so (**Psalm 107:2**).

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6-12-2015 The Time Is Now

When their government oppressed God's people, the Prophet Elijah asked the timid Israelites,

“How long will you falter between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him” (**1 Kings 18:21**).

Good people cannot survive in a society (or world!) by shrinking away from the inevitable choice: good or evil. Joshua challenged his people:

“Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve...But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD” (**Joshua 24:15**).

Paul wrote there will be:

“...The day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel” (**Romans 2:16**).

There will be “multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision!” (**Joel 3:14**). The “cowardly” will burn in Hell with “all liars” and sinners (**Revelation 21:8**).

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