

# Overcoming Opinions

## Summer at the Bayou – Part 3

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*“I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don’t be troubled or afraid.”* John 14:27 (NLT)

*“<sup>3</sup>As Paul gathered an armful of sticks and was laying them on the fire, a poisonous snake, driven out by the heat, bit him on the hand. <sup>4</sup>The people of the island saw it hanging from his hand and said to each other, ‘A murderer, no doubt! Though he escaped the sea, justice will not permit him to live.’ <sup>5</sup>But Paul shook off the snake into the fire and was unharmed. <sup>6</sup>The people waited for him to swell up or suddenly drop dead. But when they had waited a long time and saw that he wasn’t harmed, they changed their minds and decided he was a god.”* Acts 28:3-6 (NLT)

*“But the Lord said to Samuel, ‘Don’t judge by his appearance or height, for I have rejected him. The Lord doesn’t see things the way you see them. People judge by outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.’”* 1 Samuel 16:7 (NLT)

*“<sup>12</sup>I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. <sup>13</sup>For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.”* Philippians 4:12-13 (NLT)

*“Then Jesus said, ‘Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.’”* Matthew 11:28 (NLT)

*“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.”* Hebrews 13:8 (NLT)

*“The young women will dance for joy, and the men—old and young—will join in the celebration. I will turn their mourning into joy. I will comfort them and exchange their sorrow for rejoicing.”* Jeremiah 31:13 (NLT)

*“<sup>3</sup>For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: <sup>4</sup>(for the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) <sup>5</sup>casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;”* 2 Corinthians 10:3-5 (KJV)

*“The tongue can bring death or life; those who love to talk will reap the consequences.”* Proverbs 18:21 (NLT)