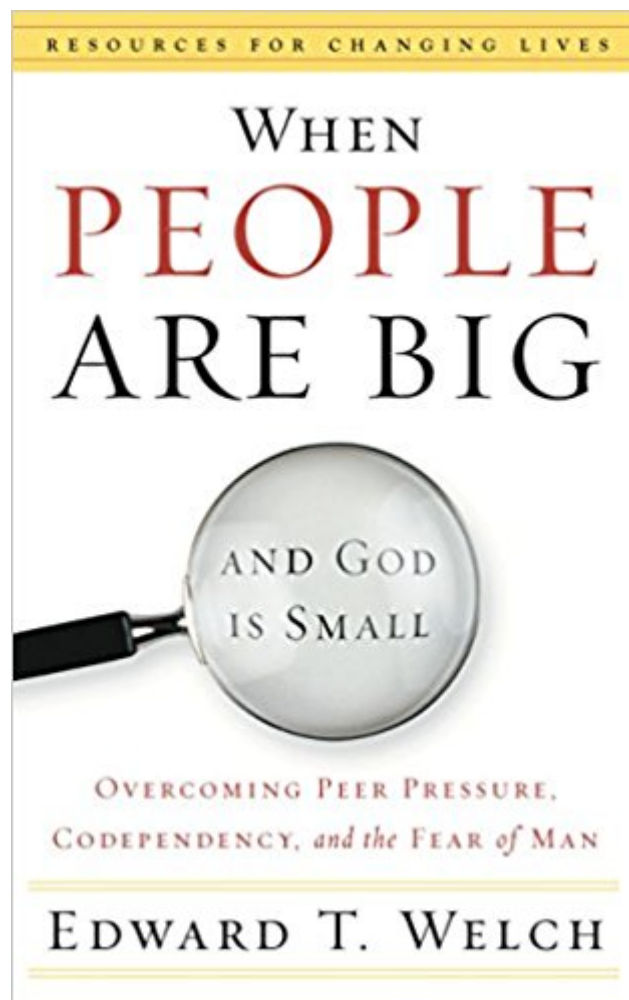




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# **When People Are Big And God Is Small: Overcoming Peer Pressure, Codependency, And The Fear Of Man (Resources For Changing Lives)**



## Synopsis

Overly concerned about what people think of you? Welch uncovers the spiritual dimension of people-pleasing and points the way through a true knowledge of God, ourselves, and others.

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"Refreshingly biblical. . . . brimming with helpful, readable, practical insight." --John F. MacArthur Jr.

Edward T. Welch (PhD, University of Utah) serves both the Christian Counseling and Educational Foundation (CCEF) and Westminster Theological Seminary. At CCEF, he is director of counseling and academic dean, as well as a counselor and faculty member. At Westminster, he is professor of practical theology. He is author of *Blame It on the Brain* and *When People Are Big and God Is Small* and has contributed to several other books and journals, including the *Journal of Psychology and Christianity*.

Ed has skillfully exposed a core problem in American culture. We all fear what others think of us, but Ed explains clearly how that fear prevents us from being all that God has called us to be. It prevents us from bringing glory to God! Worth re-reading.

A book everyone should read. You can't know yourself unless you know God... correctly know God not a god of your imagination. This book nails it! It is foundation to solving personal problems.

A very Biblical view of our failure to Give Jesus Christ the glory due Him due to to the fear of man. Cuts to the core of our love of self and the approval of man rather than obedience to our Savior and Lord.

I liked this book but there were places with sentences that were structured such that I had to read them twice. Very good content! Gets to the heart of people worship. And most don't even realize they are doing it!

I loved how this author contrasts the world and God's economy. The reader is challenged to earnestly seek answers to questions that we seldom ask. What do you need? What controls you? The chapter that addresses the "love cup" is especially insightful. Be prepared to be moved to reflection and serious challenging of motives. What is our duty?

This was the most helpful book I have read. It explained shame in a way I never realized before and in a way that freed me from the shame I was harboring. It revealed God in a BIG way and helped me to take my eyes off myself and to gaze rightly at God instead. This book is very effective in helping people let go of their fear of men and look to God for all our needs.

This book has helped me tremendously not only to better understand myself but to understand others. Information is presented in an easy to understand way. Clear explanations and warning signs we can all relate to. The flow of the book is great. Topics clearly connect to the next. I had many "yes yes! That's me." Type experiences while reading this book. It's hard to not see yourself in this book. Practical and helpful and always pointing back to scripture. I think we all struggle in one way or another with people pleasing. This book lays it out and gives reasons why it's not ok and reasons why we don't have to be held captive by the desire to please others more than God. A must read. One of the best books I've read ever. I recommend this book to everyone.

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