

TREATING PEOPLE RIGHT **DEVELOPING A FAITH THAT WORKS - Part 6**

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PRAISE REPORT - PRAYER REQUESTS – PRAYER

Read James 2:1-13

*"If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture,
'Love your neighbor as yourself,' you are doing right," (vs. 8)*

I. THE PRINCIPLE: DON'T SHOW F

"My brothers, as believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, don't show favoritism." (vs. 1)

"FAVORITISM:" to receive somebody at face value, on the basis of how they look, superficial judgment.

COMMON AREAS OF DISCRIMINATION

1. A _____
2. A _____
3. A _____
4. A _____
5. A _____

Illustration (vs. 2-4)

II. THE PROBLEM IS 3-FOLD

1. **FAVORITISM IS U** _____ **(vs. 1)** *"For God does not show favoritism." Rom 2:11*
Other Related Scriptures - Acts 10:34, Eph. 6:9, Col. 3:25

"Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." 1 Sam. 16:7

2. **FAVORITISM IS U** _____ **(vs. 5-7)**

*"... Has not God chosen those who are poor ... to be rich in faith ... and inherit the kingdom ...?" v.5
"Is it not the rich who are exploiting you ...?" v.6*

3. **FAVORITISM IS U** _____ **(vs. 8-9)** *"Anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen" 1 John 4:20*
The seriousness of it (vs. 10-13)

III. THE PRESCRIPTION: HOW TO TREAT PEOPLE RIGHT **(And How To Have A Loving Church)**

1. A _____ **EVERYBODY** - *"Accept one another just as Christ accepted you ..." Rom. 15:7*
2. A _____ **EVERYBODY** - *"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also the interests of others." Philippians 2:3-5*
3. A _____ **EVERYBODY** - *"Encourage one another and build each other up."*
1 Thessalonians 5:11
"See how they love one another."

"By this shall all men know that you are My disciples that you love each other." John 13:35

"For now we are all children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. We are no longer Jews or Greek or slave or free men or even men or women." Gal. 3:26-27