

Lesson 3: Authentic Christianity Does Not Show Partiality James 2:1-13

Favoritism Forbidden, 2:1-3

1. What is favoritism? (2:1, Rom. 2:11, Eph. 6:9, Col. 3:25)
2. Upon what kind of factors was favoritism being exercised? (2:2-3)
3. Do Christians still show favoritism today? If so, upon what factors?
4. List a few things might condition a person to show favoritism?

Reasons For Not Showing Favoritism, 2:4-13

5. What kind of judges do we become when we show favoritism? (2:4, Lev. 19:15, Ex. 23:7-8, Deut. 1:17, Prov. 18:5)
6. When we show favoritism toward the rich, whom do we despise? (2:5, 1 Cor. 1:26-28, Matt. 11:5)
7. When we show favoritism toward the rich, to whom are we showing honor? (2:6-7, Prov. 22:7)
8. What reason (excuse) were those showing favoritism prone to give for their actions and attitudes? (2:8)
9. Explain in detail how James demonstrates and illustrates their guilt (2:9-11)
10. According to what law should we live our lives as Christians? (2:12)
11. How will the unmerciful be judged? (2:13)
12. How shall the merciful be judged? (2:13)