

The Book of James Lesson 6: Favoritism: James 2:1-13

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James 2:1

Partiality		
Distinction		

• Conditional preference

Definition of FAVORITISM: The showing of a special liking for one person or a few individuals in a group by acts of partiality where impartiality is called for.

2. Favoritism based on appearance

James 2:2-4

3. Favoritism based on status

James 2:5-7

4. Loving your neighbor
James 2:8
Definition of ROYAL LAW:
5. Favoritism is a sin.
James 2:9
6. God and His law
James 2:10, 11
James is not saying that committing one sin makes you guilty of every other individual sin.
The law is an expression of God's will.
7. Judgement
James 2:4
This verse explains that showing favoritism is a form of judgment.
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Showing compassion and mercy is better than showing favoritism.