

JAMES: What's the Big Deal?

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Text: James 2:8-13

Food for Thought for the week of July 10, 2016

(Questions and Scriptures for further study and discussion.)

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1. Discuss and share a few points that encouraged you from the message.
2. Looking at our capacity to love on our own vs God's love working in us, what are some differences you feel/see?
3. Heart check: Who do you spend more time praying for - yourself or others?
4. Think about the way we love ourselves (pray, clothe, feed, etc.).
What are some practical ways that we can love our neighbors in the same way?
How can we "stand out" in love?
5. How does favoritism or partiality play a role in loving or not loving others?
6. God doesn't show any partiality. If we are called to love everyone, why do we tend to pick and choose select groups, individuals, etc.)?
7. Mercy, where we deserve something bad but instead receive something good, has been gifted to us by God. How can we have that same mercy toward others?
8. Who [or what "group"] do you struggle to love? What is it about God's character that reveals that He shows no favoritism?

Close your time together by praying for each of you to grow in God's love for others by the power of His Spirit.

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