

June 6, 2021— "Favoritism VS Faith"

LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE, AND SERVE THE WORLD

James 2:1-13

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+The doctrine of the church will pivot on unity and grow in love when fostered in a family like atmosphere.

James 2:2-4

+Discrimination and prejudice produce judges with evil thoughts. This is the definition of favoritism.

+Favoritism will only reap strife, gossip, and relationship barriers.

+ Jesus was brilliant at breaking down the walls of favoritism.

+ Jesus broke the social norms, because His love is greater, and crushes favoritism where it lives.

James 2:8-11

"Don't play favorites in your family, it destroys the core value of what family is all about. That's why I love the fact in God's Family we are all equal."

Proverbs 18:21 The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

James 2:12-13

+The early church had unity because they were:

Devoting themselves to the Bible. Devoting themselves to fellowship. Devoting themselves to prayer.

+Unity cultivates an atmosphere for God to move in people's lives..

Acts 2:42-47, Acts 4:33-34

+ Jesus taught that the glory of His church would be magnified in its kindness to the poor, not just poor naturally, but poor in spirit.

"The enemy wants nothing more than to divide the Church, and we need to be intentional and diligent to preserve our unity."

James 2:14-18

+ Why Favoritism VS Faith? Because true faith in God will always fight against favoritism.

