



PULPIT CURRICULUM

Authentic Acceptance

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1. GOING DEEPER

James 2: 1-13

1.1) a) In what ways can partiality be considered a sin? b) How is partiality damaging to the message that Jesus entrusts us to proclaim? c) Why do you think the Bible gives such priority to the poor?

1.2) a) James refers to the "Royal Law" (verse 8). Where would you find this "law" first introduced? b) Why do you think that it is called the "Royal Law" c) Quote at least one other scripture that refers to loving your neighbor as yourself.

1.3) a) What other passages prove that full adherence to the law does not have the ability to save? b) Why would one have been guilty of breaking the entire law if they failed in one area? c) What does James mean when he says "mercy triumphs over judgment" (Refer Mathew 5:7) In what ways does mercy triumph over judgment?

2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

2.1) To what extent are you impartial In the way you embrace others?



I do not know how to be impartial



I am not very consistent in being impartial



I am becoming more consistent in being impartial



I am impartial in most situations in my life



I strive to be impartial daily

2.2) What actions will you identify to be able to be impartial to guests and one another?

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

Verse of The Week

James 2:1 (ESV)




My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of Glory

3. APPLICATION

Of the list above, which one(s) will you be intentional about practicing this week? (Who will hold you accountable)?

Sermon Main Points	Sermon Highlights
Believers who seek to show authentic acceptance to others must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Show No Partiality ✦ Fulfill The Royal Law 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ <i>True faith has no place for the social distinctions of the world</i> ✦ <i>The way you speak, and act reflects whether you are partial or impartial. It also reflects whether you are fulfilling the Royal Law of loving your neighbor or not</i> ✦ <i>Law does not regulate behavior, theology and beliefs do</i>

5 Day Study Plan **“Study to show yourself approved unto God...”**

<p>Day 1 1 Samuel 7:16 What I learned (observation / interpretation): How I will Respond (application):</p>	<div style="margin-bottom: 10px;">  Observation <i>(What does the text say?)</i> When observing the text, look for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who... <i>wrote the book ... who is it about ... who did/ said this?</i> • What... <i>is happening?</i> • Where... <i>did this take place?</i> • When... <i>did it happen?</i> • Keywords <i>(significant, repeated, emphasized),</i> • Transition words <i>(because, therefore, so then, but),</i> • Commands <i>(clear action statements).</i> </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;">  Interpretation <i>(What does the text mean?)</i> When interpreting the text, examine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the main theme... <i>what is the meaning of key words)?</i> • Read <i>cross references</i> • Compare <i>translations</i> • Summarize <i>the big idea</i> • Use <i>commentaries (last thing)</i> </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;">  Application <i>(How should this affect Me?)</i> When applying the text, ask “How should this change the way I think, speak, act? Seek to identify <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sins <i>to confess?</i> • Promises <i>to claim?</i> • Examples <i>to follow?</i> • Actions <i>to obey?</i> • Knowledge <i>to grow in?</i> </div>
<p>Day 2 Leviticus 19:18 What I learned: How I will Respond:</p>	
<p>Day 3 Romans 13:9 What I learned: How I will Respond:</p>	
<p>Day 4 Galatians 5:14 What I learned: How I will Respond:</p>	
<p>Day 5 Mathew 22:37-39 What I learned: How I will Respond:</p>	