RUN THE PLAY

THE BOOK OF JAMES

Everyone on the Team Matters
James 2:1-13 | September 28, 2025

God's purpose for every life is to be in:
- » Forever relationship with Him.
- » Healthy relationships with Others.

How did you come to know about Jesus?

> "For God so **loved** the world that He **gave** His one and only Son, so that whoever **believes** in him shall not perish but have **eternal life**."
> — John 3:16

"Favoritism" or "Partiality" defined:

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What is the Gospel "Good News?"
- » God Created
- » We Sin
- » God Loves
- » God Gives
- » Whoever Believes
- » Receives Life

> **"For God does not show favoritism."**
> — Romans 2:11

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STUDY QUESTIONS

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As a group, read James 2:1-13.

- Have a few people read James 2:1 from different translations of the Bible (for instance, ESV, NASB, NLT, NIV).

  - Take some time and draft a workable group definition for "favoritism" or "partiality."

  - Describe a time that you may have felt favored or received special treatment. How did that feel? How might it make others feel?

  - Describe a time when you felt less favored. Perhaps a person or persons were treated better than you. How did that make you feel? How might that make others feel?

  - Why would James connect favoritism and our mutual faith in Jesus?

  - If someone asked you to share the Gospel, the "Good News" of Jesus, in less than two minutes, what would you say?

  - Have you or someone you know ever experienced something like what James is describing in James 2 while participating in a church?

  - What are some ways we could possibly guard against "favoritism" in our church?

  - As a group, come up with a workable definition of "grace"?

THIS WEEK'S APPLICATION:

Commit to first, **humbly receiving God's grace for you** and, second, **extending that grace to others you encounter**. Yes, even when it's hard!

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