



Scripture

James 2:1-13

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I. Command: Do Not Show Favoritism - Vs. 1-4

II. Motivations to Obedience to the Command:

A. Favoritism is Contrary to the Nature of God - Vs. 5-6a

Deuteronomy 10:17-18 -

For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing.

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Galatians 3:28 -

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

II. Motivations to Obedience to the Command:

B. Favoritism is Contrary to Our Own Experience - Vs. 6b-7

I Corinthians 1:26-29 -

For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God.

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C. Favoritism is Contrary to the Law of Love- Vs. 8-11

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D. Favoritism is Contrary to Mercy - Vs. 12-13

Luke 1:51-53 -

He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts; he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.