



Sermon Resources

Sermon: A faith that loves.

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WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

James 2:1-13

WITHHOLD FAVORITISM

GIVE ATTENTION TO THE LEAST OF THESE

GOD WITHHOLDS FAVORITISM

(SERMON IN A SENTENCE) An everyday faith loves others and gives mercies to all.

MEMORY VERSE

My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism.

James 2:1

WHAT DO I NEED TO ASK?

- **ICEBREAKER:** Have each person share one of their favorites—favorite food, TV show growing up, vacation spot, etc.

- *Follow up with: "How do our 'favorites' shape how we treat people? Today, we'll explore James's strong words about favoritism in the church and how love must shape our everyday faith."*

- *Before moving into the next question, consider asking someone to read James 2:1-13 out loud for the group.*

1. What catches your attention most in James 2:1-13? What feels most relevant today?
2. Why do you think favoritism was such a critical issue for James to address in the early church? Is it still an issue for us today?

3. In what areas of your life do you notice a tendency toward favoritism—either consciously or subconsciously
4. How have you experienced being overlooked or honored based on surface-level traits or status? How did that impact you?
5. What do you find difficult about giving equal attention or mercy to "the least of these"?
6. What might it look like to intentionally *withhold favoritism* this week?
7. Who in your life right now could be described as "the least of these"? How might you intentionally show them mercy and dignity this week?
8. What's one next step of obedience you sense God is inviting you to take this week?