

Series: James: Faith in Action
Sermon: Fulfill the Law
Speaker: Dan Davis

Daily Readings

Monday: James 2:1-13
Tuesday: Philippians 2:1-11
Wednesday: Galatians 2
Thursday: Matthew 22:34-40
Friday: Romans 12:8-14
Saturday and Sunday: James 2:14-26

Discussion Questions

1. Have someone in your group give a brief recap of Sunday's message, highlighting the primary Scripture points and the main idea of the message.
2. How did this message strengthen and/or correct your previous ideas about favoritism? Was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you? Did you learn anything new about God or yourself this week?
3. **Read James 2:1-7.** What words or phrases stand out to you? How would you summarize what James is teaching?
4. According to James, why is favoritism such an evil sin?
5. Are there certain types of people you are prone to show favoritism toward? If so, what kinds of people would this be?
6. Have someone read Isaiah 53:2-3 and Philippians 2:1-11. How did the "Lord of glory" come to the earth? How does this inform the way we should fight against favoritism?
7. **Read James 2:8-13.** What words or phrases stand out to you? How would you summarize what James is teaching?
8. How is favoritism the opposite of love? What would it look like to love those you tend to look down upon?
9. How has God shown us His mercy in place of His judgment?
10. What action step do you need to take in response to this week's message? How can your group hold you accountable to this step?

Action Step

Show someone an act of love this week who would least expect it. Here are some ideas:

- Surprise a co-worker with a gift card or cup of coffee.
- Seek to serve an elderly neighbor by taking out the trash, making them a meal, or going over to just spend time with them talking.
- If you know someone with some kind of need, physical or spiritual, seek to meet that need.