

Small Group Questions

Read James 2:1-13

1. What is James' basis for his command for us not to show favouritism? (Hint: James makes three appeals from verse 1)
2. Read verses 2-4. Playing favourites divides and makes distinctions in the church. How can you see this play out in our Little T community?
3. Read verses 5-7. Playing favourites derides and dishonours God and the people we are supposed to welcome and receive. How does playing favourites dishonour God and unfavourable people?
4. Read verses 8-10. How does playing favourites break the whole royal law of God and go against the second Great Commandment?
5. Read verses 11-13. James ends this section with "Mercy triumphs over judgement." Reflect on how Christ's mercy overcame the judgement we deserved. How does Jesus's mercy towards us shape us to become a church that lives out the Gospel?